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Life's Journeys

A man who travels many paths

By Rosemary Stephens, Editor-in-Chief

Harvey Phillip Pratt doesn't look like the ordinary federal agent one might conjure up in their minds with black suits and black patent shoes. Appearing in a sports jacket, a pair of jeans and cowboy boots, his long black hair, now tinged with gray, is pulled back in a pony tail and the only evidence that he is a member of Oklahoma State Bureau of Investigations (OSBI) law enforcement is a gold plated badge clipped to his belt just inside his jacket.

Pratt, a member of the Cheyenne and Arapaho tribes, is one of the most well known OSBI forensic artists in the state of Oklahoma and throughout the United States. He has been sought out by agencies across the world to help solve crimes, find missing children and fugitives, but his life began in a small quiet town called El Reno, Okla.

"I was born in El Reno on West Watts in a house and there were a lot of hand maidens, a lot of older Indian women present and I was born with a veil over my face and attached to my chest, they called them veil babies and they all said, 'oh look he's going to be a chief'," Pratt said.

Born April 13, 1941 to Anna and Oscar, Pratt was the second to the youngest of seven children.

"My father died early in life with cancer and TB when I was very young and my mother raised the seven of us. I was the sixth child and I have three sisters and there were four of us boys. Laura Birdwoman, aunt Laura, she bought us a house in El Reno," he said.

Pratt said they lived a simple life growing up, playing and hunting along the river staying in tents or under brush arbors.

"We would stay out by the river sometimes three or four days just hunting. I owned my first gun when I was 10 years old, can you imagine ... I mean I wouldn't buy my kids a gun at that age, but back then, we all had guns and we would hunt and eat what we hunted. I remember my aunt Laura would take us to church camp meetings and I hated them. They were all fire and brimstone types of meetings and everyone was going to hell and I just hated them because they scared me, you know, because I was so young," Pratt laughed. "There were hundreds of us kids out there because those revivals would last like a

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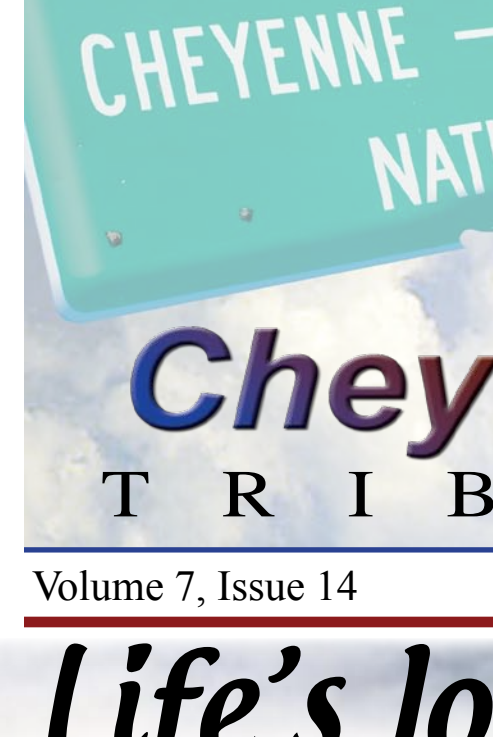

Harvey Pratt at the FBI Academy in 1981.

Photo by Rosemary Stephens

Harvey Phillip Pratt, Oklahoma State Bureau of Investigation forensic artist.

Oklahoma bank issues administrative freeze on tribal accounts

By Rosemary Stephens, Editor-in-Chief

On April 24, 2012 the First Bank and Trust Company in Clinton, Okla., in an unprecedented move, issued an administrative freeze on all bank accounts they currently hold for the Cheyenne and Arapaho tribes.

The freeze brought about an abrupt interruption to a majority of tribal program services the tribes' provide to their tribal members.

"This action the bank took, was honestly, the last resort effort to protect the tribes' monies until the conflict over who the rightful governor of the Cheyenne and Arapaho tribes can be determined," Attorney Scott Meacham, Crowe & Dunlevy and attorney for the First Bank and Trust Company, said. "These legal proceedings actually go back a year and a half ago when Leslie Harjo filed suit against Janice Boswell and named several banks in her suit, with First Bank and Trust Company being one of those banks named. We asked the courts to clarify who the Cheyenne and Arapaho tribes' official governor is, but they returned with, 'we do not have jurisdiction to decide this matter,' so once again we were placed in the middle of a precarious situation."

Meacham said that the bank's documents show signature authority as "Governor of the Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribes," and though Janice Boswell initially opened the accounts as the representing governor of the tribes, Harjo has made several claims to governorship and insisted on being placed on the accounts as the acting governor.

Boswell and Harjo ran together on the same ticket for governor and lieutenant governor in 2009. They won the election and were sworn in January 2010. Shortly after taking office, Harjo and Boswell had differences of opinions on many tribal issues and parted ways.

Harjo, operating out of El Reno, Okla., has claimed that Boswell was impeached during the third legislature and therefore, she as lieutenant governor automatically stepped into the position of governor.

Boswell, operating from the Cheyenne and Arapaho tribes' main offices in Concho, Okla., continued to governor the tribes' stating the impeachment proceedings failed to receive a unanimous vote for impeachment from all seven sitting legislators at the time.

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Photo by Rosemary Stephens

Cheyenne and Arapaho tribal members and employees protest outside the First Bank and Trust in Clinton, Okla. after the bank froze tribal bank accounts.

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The 2012 Cheyenne and Arapaho high school and college graduates gather together to celebrate their success at the annual education banquet on May 2, 2012.

Education equals freedom

By Rosemary Stephens, Editor-in-Chief

Photo by Gordon Yellowman

Kyla Martinez, graduating from Sequoyah High School accepts her certificate from l-r: Honored Educator, Edgar Heap-of-Birds, Higher Education Counselor, Wanda Whiteman, Education Executive Director, Teresa Dorsett, Cheyenne and Arapaho Gov. Janice Boswell and Chickasaw Gov. Bill Anaotubby.

Miniature colored teepees decorate the tables as students and their families gather to celebrate their milestones … graduation.

In the largest turn out since its inception, the Cheyenne and Arapaho tribes' Education banquet was held May 2, 2012 at the Frisco Center in Clinton, Okla.

"I am very pleased, this is the largest crowd we have had in a number of years, so give yourself an applause," Cheyenne and Arapaho Education Executive Director, Teresa Dorsett said. "Congratulations to the graduates and also I would like to applaud the parents and grandparents, because it is your encouragement that has gotten these graduates to this day."

This year's banquet welcomed keynote speaker, Chickasaw Gov. Bill Anoatubby and honored educator, Edgar Heap-of-Birds.

"It is an honor to be here this evening and am pleased to be able to congratulate all the Cheyenne and Arapaho graduates. I appreciate the tribes opening this ceremony with a prayer from an elder, because like you, the Chickasaws value their elders," Anoatubby said. "Looking at this list of all your high school and college graduates … this is impressive. I know we all encourage our young students to finish high school and go on to college and you all are certainly to be congratulated and I encourage you as your own Gov. Janice Boswell has encouraged you to come back and work for your tribes after getting your degrees. To come back and better your people's lives, for I know and I am sure you all know that education equals freedom for all of us."

A special recognition of the honored educator, Edgar Heap-of-Birds followed the keynote address.

Heap-of-Birds, Cheyenne and Arapaho, is a professor at the University of Oklahoma (OU) where he teaches Native American studies and Fine Arts. He has taught as a visiting professor at Yale University, Rhode Island School of Design, Michaelis School of Fine and the University of Cape Town in South Africa.

Recently Heap-of-Birds created a 50-foot signature, outdoor sculpture titled, *Wheel*, as an entrance piece at Daniel Liebeskind's addition to the Denver Art Museum in Denver, Colo. The circular porcelain enamel on steel structure was commissioned by the Denver Art Museum and is inspired by the traditional Medicine Wheel of the Big Horn Mountains of Wyoming.

Heap-of-Birds has received awards and grants from the National Endowment for the Arts, Rockefeller Foundation, Louis Comfort Tiffany Foundation, Lila Wallace Foundation, Bonfil Stanton Foundation and the Pew Charitable Trust.

Graduates received special gifts and keepsakes and were awarded certificates at the close of the evening.

Head Start graduates moving up

By Rebecka Lyman, Reporter

Complete with caps and gowns the students entered the Conch community hall as family and friends celebrate.

On May 10, 2012 the graduation ceremony was a grand finale to the successful year of learning and growth for the Cheyenne and Arapaho Concho Head Start program held at the Concho Community Hall in Concho, Okla. The Canton Head Start students celebrated their graduation ceremony on May 9 and Clinton Head Start students held their ceremony in the afternoon on May 10.

"I would like to welcome all the parents, grandparents and families to our 2012 graduation," Gov. Janice Boswell said. "I would like to let the children know I am very proud of them for finishing their school year and accomplishments. All the parents give yourselves a pat on the back, I am very proud of the teachers and their hard work. It takes a lot of patience to do what they do, especially for children at this age. Congratulations and Ah-ho."

Special guest speaker, Teresa Dorsett, Cheyenne and Arapaho Education's executive director stood to her feet and walked over to the small graduates and gave each of them a high five.

"Now turn and give your classmate a high five for doing a terrific job and accomplishing this great achievement," Dorsett said to the students.

Dorsett turned and gave her attention to the audience that filled the community hall.

"I want to share with you all something that I have been thinking on for a few months now. I believe it pertains to this moment. Accomplishment is something we must do on purpose. What is some of the things you had to put into effect to make this evening happen for your children? I want to express to all you parents that as your children continue their education and move on to public schools it is very important that you take part in the school they will attend. We are their first teachers," Dorsett said. "I believe it is very important that our children learn their language and traditions. Most of the surrounding schools support Native cultures, if any of you need assistance with issues that arise with the school your children attend please come to my office and we will help you and your child."

The Cheyenne and Arapaho Head Start Program serves 133 families and have centers located at Concho, Okla. that serves 57 students, Clinton, Okla. serving 45 students and Canton, Okla. serving 31 students.

At the end of the ceremony the students performed three songs for the crowd. After their performance the young graduates were presented with their graduation certificates from teach-

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Yellowman lead 'detectives' on a stroll through history

By Ray Dyer, El Reno Tribune

El Reno's Gordon Yellowman strolled through Adams Park visiting with Wes Cowan, one of the hosts of the PBS show "History Detectives." As the men walked, a video crew stayed a few feet in front of them documenting everything they said.

The two men were discussing the Cheyenne perspective of what took place in western Oklahoma on Nov. 27, 1868. On that cold morning, Lt. Col. George Armstrong Custer led the 7th U.S. Cavalry in a surprise attack against the Southern Cheyenne village of Chief Black Kettle.

The site is now the Washita Battlefield National Historic Site.

Because the PBS "History Detectives" program dedicated to this issue probably won't air until September, the production crew wouldn't allow bystanders to listen in on the conversation taking place between Yellowman and Cowan.

The one thing that was heard was Yellowman saying it would be more appropriate if Washita was known as a memorial site rather than a battlefield site.

Members of the PBS crew said "History Detectives" is in its 10th season. The show, according to Pat Kruis, "explores our nation's past by uncovering the captivating history behind personal items that have puzzled their owners for years."

Photo by Ray Dyer

Cheyenne Chief, Gordon Yellowman (l) takes a walk through history with PBS host, Wes Cowan.

Each "History Detectives" story begins with an artifact with a "mysterious past."

Kruis said the researchers put the pieces to the history puzzle together using the latest forensic technology. They seek clues from experts in the particular area they are investigating and offer viewers "an often provocative conclusion."

Cheyenne and Arapaho Elder Care Program

Submitted by Frank Sheridan, Director

I am into my sixth week as the director of the Cheyenne and Arapaho Elder Care Program. I have learned a lot of the program and how hard the staff work to provide assistance to our Cheyenne and Arapaho elder population. As the director I feel that I should always stress the Elder Care Program is a "supplemental program". As the director of this program it is my duty to ensure that all applicants are treated fairly.

A simple example I have used in a staff meeting is if I had four grapes and I had two people I was trying to help, to ensure fairness, I would give each person two grapes. I know some times in the past that a client may have gotten three grapes leaving only one for the other person. The truth isn't always pretty. With this example I am trying to use our traditional philosophies and teachings to assist all our elders and perhaps to remind us of things forgotten.

I, as director of the Elder Care Program ask for your patience. At times, because of the flow of the assistance applications that are received and assigned to case workers, you may not get a response as quick as you like. In our culture all of us are taught the concept of patience and to treat people the same way we would like to be treated. At times I have seen that we forget this traditional thought.

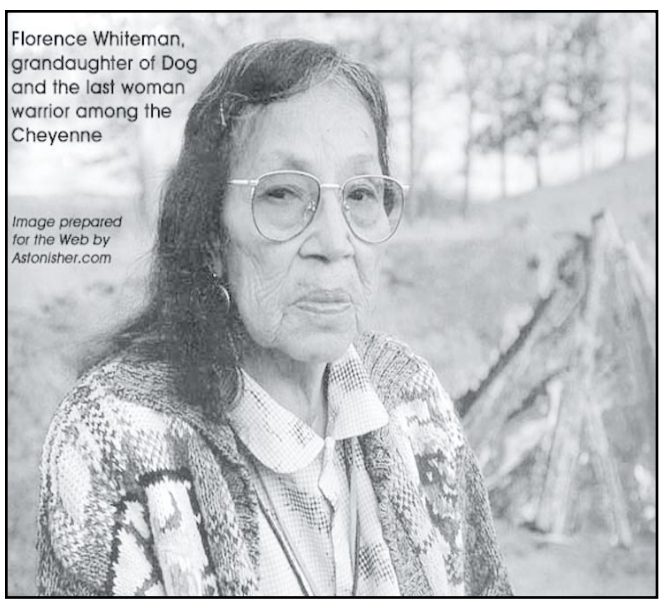
Yet, at times some of our clients get irate and say some very negative things to our workers and often at times use a language that is not becoming of our elders. In our culture all of us are taught the concept of patience.

There is a story from one of my relatives, Phillip Whiteman Jr., that I think might make all of us think about our behavior as elders and the things that some do to get more than their fair share. Traditionally there is no honor in that behavior.

There was a young man who was going on a vision quest. He started up the mountain, as he got higher, he got to the edge of the tree line. As he got just to the edge of the tree line he saw a snake almost frozen.

The snake asked the young man to pick him up and take him down the mountain so he wouldn't die. The young man said, "I can't, I am going up the mountain to fast so that the grandfathers will give me great powers. If I pick you up you might bite me."

The snake told the young man. "I won't bite you. If you take me down I will give you a great power and you will be very strong among your people. The young man was convinced by the snake to pick him up and take him down the mountain.


Florence Whiteman, grandaughter of Dog and the last woman warrior among the Cheyenne
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When the young man got the snake down the mountain, the young man made a fire to warm the snake. After the snake warmed up, the young man said, "I have helped you, I brought you down the mountain, and you said you would give me a great power." The young man knelt down before the snake and ceremonially reached both hands out to the snake to get the great power.

As the young man reached out to the snake, the snake bit him. The young man said, "You told me you would not bite me if I brought you down the mountain, you said you would give me a great power and yet you bit me." The snake looked at the young man and told him, "You knew better."

When someone tries to help you, as our elders taught us, we should be grateful. The Elder Care Program is paying your utility bills, providing food and other things that it can do to make your life as Cheyenne and Arapaho elders easier. Sometimes we forget and become ungrateful and greedy asking for more than what would be fair. This department tries to follow the traditional Cheyenne and Arapaho concept, to look after our elders and to try to provide for them the things they cannot provide

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Tribal Tidbits

Labor Day Powwow Princesses announced

The winner for the Labor Day Cheyenne Pow-wow princesses contest is Cheyenne Princess, Andrea Breanna Willey, daughter of Andy and Sylvia Willey, from Ponca City, Okla. and Arapaho Princess, Jonnie Legena Big Medicine, granddaughter of Merl Big Medicine of El Reno, Okla.

Photos and biographies will be furnished at a later date.

Oklahoma Indian Nations Royalty announced

The OIN sends congratulations to the 2012 Royalty, Senior Miss, Marley Jade Black, daughter of Georgia and Basil Pollock, Junior Miss, Jaylin Mariah Reveles, daughter of James and Jaime Reveles and Little Miss, DoreneAllyn WhiteHorse, daughter of Kayla WhiteHorse.

The Princess Coronation Dance to crown the 2012 Royalty and to honor the 2011 Outgoing Royalty (Alicia Reed, Sierra Littleman and AnnMarie Cometsevah) will be held on May 26, 2012 at Darlington School.

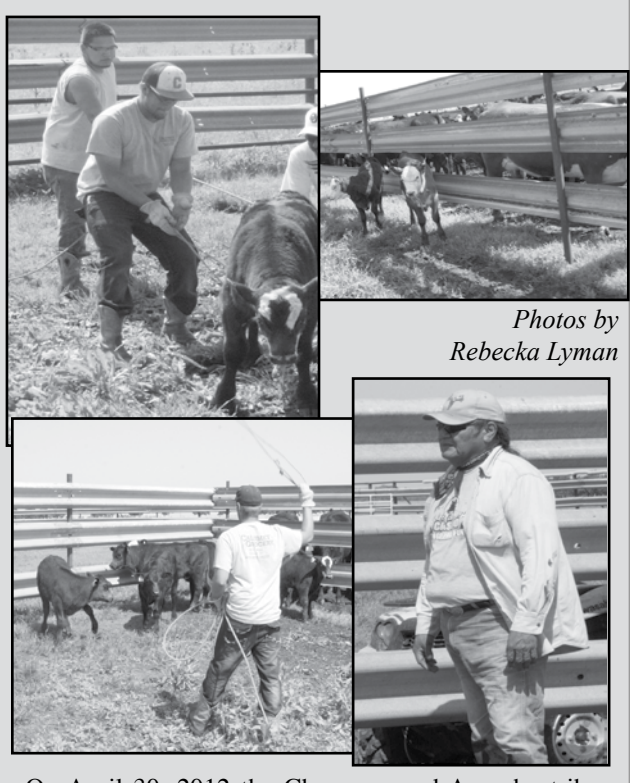
Courtesy photo

Sgt. Delena Nibbs of the Army National Guard recently returned from Afghanistan after being deployed with the Oklahoma 45th Division last Summer. She served with Charlie (Med) Company, 700th Brigade Support Battalion and the 45th Infantry Brigade Combat Team. Her MOS designation is 68 Whiskey (Combat Medic). In January 2008, she was deployed to Iraq and served until October 2008. In her most recent deployment, she received a promotion to the rank of E-6, Staff Sergeant. She has been in the National Guard since 1995.

Delena is the mother of four children, Gwendolyn, 14, Seth, 12,Jace, 9 and Noah, 5. Her parents are Carole and Mike Morris of Oklahoma City and Theodore Nibbs of Clinton, Okla. She completed the Associate of Science Degree program at the Oklahoma City Community College (OCCC) in December 2010, shortly before her unit was activated in January 2011. The family is very happy to have her return safely and held a home reception in her honor. She plans to further her education now that she is home.

Sara Roya Shadaram and Luay Shayya will be graduating from the University of Oklahoma College of Medicine. Commencement scheduled for Saturday, May 26 beginning 10 a.m. at the Oklahoma City Civic Center, 201 N. Walker Ave., Oklahoma City.

Doors for general seating will open at 9 a.m. Seating is first-come, first-served. You may contact Cynthia Donna Riggs at (405) 789-6770 for more information regarding graduation celebrations.



Photos by Rebecka Lyman

On April 30, 2012 the Cheyenne and Arapaho tribes, Farm and Ranch program rounded up the calves in the coral so that the ranch hands could tag, immunize and castrate the calves by banding them.

Courtesy photo

Nicole Harris recently received two awards from Texas A&M University at College Station. A member of the Arapaho tribe, Nicole is a senior in the School of Architecture and a member in the elite Corp of Cadets.

She received Scholastic Recognition and a Certificate in Leadership Study and Development after completing a four year program in the Corp of Cadets.

Nicole is the daughter of Adrianna (Gould) Harris of San Antonio, Texas and the granddaughter of Daisy Green of Canton Okla. Nicole will graduate December 2012 after a fall internship in Italy. (her mother graduated Canton HS in 1972 as the first native Valedictorian from Canton).

Memorial Day, losing its meaning or is it

By Sarah Smiley

Most people equate the last Monday in May with barbecues, mattress sales and a day off of work. In fact, just last week, my son said, "We have no school on Monday because it is Memorial Day." Beginning at the end of the Civil War, however, Memorial Day was intended to be a time to remember men (and now, women) of the armed forces who have died in service to our country. So I corrected my son: "It is Memorial Day because people in the military have died for us. And that is why you have no school on Monday."

Granted, this is a hard thing to keep in mind. We are bombarded with sales flyers, party supplies and advertisements that blur the lines between remembrance and celebration. Indeed, for many people, I think Memorial Day has become a second Fourth of July. Consider: Should we have fireworks at both? Should we wear funny hats and blow noise makers in May and July?

The true meaning of Memorial Day was probably easier to recall during history's greatest wars, when soldiers by the hundreds were dying overseas, and almost no family was unaffected. Then, on the last Monday in May, people probably didn't feel like celebrating. They felt like remembering.

Military life and its sacrifices have less reach today. And although we have lost thousands of troops in Afghanistan and Iraq, even those numbers are overshadowed by the death toll of other wars. But military men and women serve in war and in peace, and there is danger in both. Aviators, in particular (although definitely not alone), risk their lives even when they are "just" training in the United States. Off hand, I can think of several friends who have died in plane crashes that did not involve combat: Frank, Dustin's friend from the Naval Academy; Adam, who helped plan Dustin's bachelor party; Nick, who sat behind me in Spanish class in high school; and Clint, who died while his wife was pregnant with their third child. Deaths like these, as well as the ones that happen overseas and in a war, shake a community. The neighbors and friends of these men won't soon forget the real meaning behind Memorial Day. But, unfortunately, in our atomized, status-update society, that influence has diminished.

I say that, but then, I've never reconciled which is worse: for the military to have too much or too little exposure. On the one hand, when civilians are surrounded by military families, it is hard for them to forget the sacrifices these families make. There are plenty of service member moms and dads missing Sunday morning's soccer games, so how could anyone not remember?

But on the other hand, when the local culture is saturated with military families, as it is in places like Norfolk, Va., and San Diego, Calif., people lose awareness. (So, your dad was on deployment and missed your graduation? Well, half the graduating class was in the same situation. Big deal.) Military families are only reinforcing for other military families the sacrifices of service, and there are few civilian counterparts to benefit from the awareness.

Two weeks ago I visited Brunswick Naval Air Station in Brunswick, Maine. On May 31, 2011, the base closed its gates and faded into history. Already, the deserted streets and fields scattered with weeds seem like ghostly images of the base's former self. At the front gate, I recalled the last time I had been to NAS Brunswick, when a line of cars bent around the curb, onto the street, waiting for access. Jets roared and men and women in flight suits busily walked here and there.

Now NAS Brunswick has the feel of an old, abandoned factory.

This is sad on many accounts, but mostly for this: slowly, one by one, military installations in the northeast are shutting down. Our Navy in particular is pushing itself further into the southeast and west of the United States, leaving an exceptional void in New England. This means that relatively few Northerners will know someone who has died in combat or in training. Relatively few will know families who have been separated by a deployment for the last 12 months. And still fewer will spot uniformed military men and women in line at the gas station or next to them at the stop light.

What this means is that for a large portion of our country, which is losing touch with the culture of military life, Memorial Day is just a day to relax and have a party. And maybe that is alright. Our ability to forget things like war, death and sacrifice in exchange for comfort, pleasure and abundance is exactly what those service members died for.

Sarah Smiley is a syndicated newspaper columnist, author and military wife. Often credited with blazing the trail for present-day military spouse authors and bloggers, Sarah has been featured in The New York Times Magazine and Newsweek, and on ABC's Nightline, CNN, The Early Show (CBS), Fox News, and MSNBC (Facebook.com/sarah.is.smiley).

Pittman promotes documentary on bullying

OKLAHOMA CITY- State Rep. Anastasia A. Pittman today urged students, parents, educators and other organizations to raise awareness about bullying. Pittman urged potential participants to see the film Bully, which includes the story of Ty Field-Smalley, an 11-year-old Perkins boy who shot himself after bullying incidents that ultimately resulted in his suspension despite his being the victim.

"Bullying is killing our young people, and although there are heroic examples of schools, parents and students fighting to bring about change, it continues here in our state as it does throughout the nation," said Pittman, D-Oklahoma City. "Everyone should see this documentary and get an inside look of the effects and consequences of bullying in our schools."

Field-Smalley's story is among a handful of stories in the film, which includes the story of Kelby Johnson, who grew up in Tuttle, Okla. and Alex Libby, who now lives in Edmond, Okla. after being bullied in Sioux City, Iowa.

"This is a film that prominently features Oklahoman families," Pittman said. "I think that alone should draw Oklahomans to the film. Bullying is an epidemic and with the help of Kirk Smalley, Ty's father, and other individuals, there is a real movement in the state to reverse this trend of children being worn down by behavior that should be addressed in our schools. Our young people sometimes have access to guns without ever having been educated about them. I'm hoping we can get a reputable organization out to help teach them about gun safety. Oklahoma currently has anti-bullying laws that require school boards to create a policy to address bullying," Pittman said. "If only we could get all the schools to actually follow that law, hundreds of children would not die each year from bullying-related incidents and suicides."

Attention Veterans and families

American Legion Post 401 will have the May member meeting on May 17 at the El Reno Indian Baptist Church, 109 E. Arapaho.

There will be a potluck dinner beginning at 6 p.m.

The meeting will begin at 7 p.m.

All veterans and families are invited.

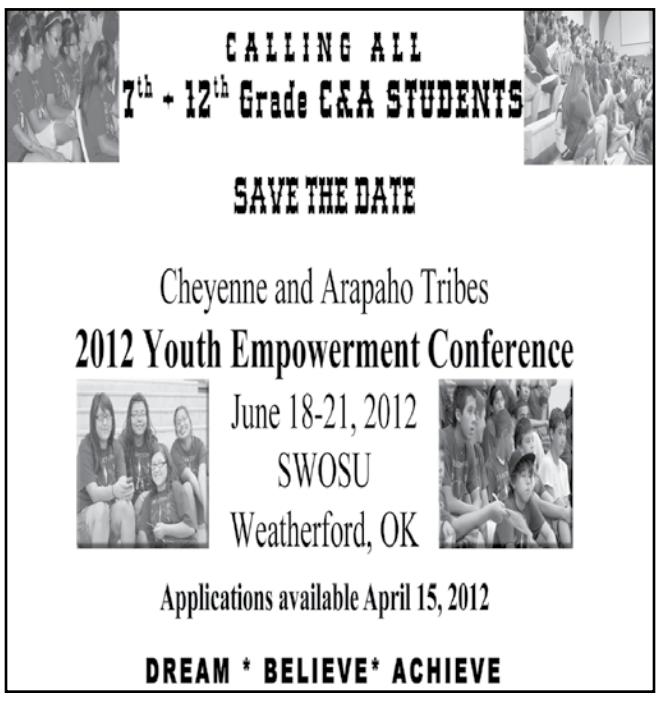
This meeting will focus on the annual Memorial Day program. The event is set for Saturday, May 26, 2012, at the Memorial Monument in Concho, Okla. The program will include a continental breakfast at 8 a.m. We ask all veterans, families, and friends to bring memorabilia, pictures and souveniers to the event. A short program will include an honor march, songs, taps, and rifle salute.

Please join us in honoring the memory of those who have served and paid the ultimate price for our people and country.

Students: If bullied, tell your parents. Telling is not tattling. Tell a trusted teacher, counselor, principal, or have your parents talk to the school. Do not retaliate or get angry. Respond evenly and firmly or say nothing and walk away. Develop friendships and stick up for each other. Act confident. Take a different route to and from school. Avoid unsupervised areas of school. Do not bring expensive items to school.

Parents: Encourage your child to share problems with you with the assurance that it is not tattling. Praise and encourage your child, a confident child is less likely to be bullied. Help your child develop new friendships, new peers can provide a new chance. Maintain contact with your child's school. Keep a detailed record of bullying episodes and communication with the school. Encourage your child to participate in sports or physical activity to improve esteem.

Schools: Establish a bullying prevention committee. Create a long-term anti-bullying plan and raise school and community awareness and involvement. Use student surveys to determine if there is a bullying problem. Involve parents in planning, discussions and action plans. Establish classroom rules against bullying. Create positive and negative consequences regarding bullying. Initiate serious talks with bullies and victims of bullying.



2nd Annual
Cheyenne & Arapaho Youth Empowerment Conference
June 18-21, 2012
SWOSU, Weatherford, Okla. Department of Education

STUDENT CREED

I am a member of Tsistsistas-Hinonoei.

The Creator has granted me the spirit of freedom to explore, the soul to believe that any dream is possible, and the ability to successfully achieve whatever I choose.

I will uphold the pride, honor, culture, and traditions of my ancestors.

I will embrace education for my people, my family, and myself.

I will nourish my mind, my body, and my soul with all that is good,

I will respect all that surrounds me,

For I know that I am free to Dream, Believe, and Achieve.

All Cheyenne and Arapaho seventh through 12th grade students are encouraged to memorize prior to the Youth Empowerment Conference.

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week. They would take all of us kids out there in the back of trucks and as I thought about those times later on in my life I thought it really was a good experience."

Pratt said he had a good life growing up and, as he paused for a moment, he continued with some of his memories of his childhood.

"We all had Indian names and all the neighborhood kids knew who we were and our Indian names. When aunt Laura would call us in at night, she would yell out our Indian names and we would all come home. Then you could hear her still out on the porch calling our names and we would say, 'aunt Laura we are all right here' and she would say, 'I know but your little spirits are still out there and I am going to call them in so nothing happens to them'. I remember my grandfather, William Guerrier, loved to talk about the outhouses the white people first started building ... he would laugh and say look those white people like to keep their waste close and everyone would laugh. He thought that was so funny and he would say those white men, they pull out this white cloth out of their pants and blow their nose on it, fold it up and stick it back into their pockets and again we would all just laugh," Pratt smiled as he continued. "I grew up eating raw kidney and calf tongue and you know I thought everyone ate that way. Little kids running around with raw kidneys all over our faces. We would also tie red strings on horny toads and if they ran a certain way that would be good luck for you. In the summer time grandpa told us to put rocks in our mouth and that would create water and we would always carry dry meat in our pockets. That's the way we grew up you know, it was a great life."

Pratt sat back, smiled and said they never locked their doors growing up, "never ... can you imagine ... it was a great life."

He said the Smithsonian would come to the house and interview his aunt Laura and his grandfather.

"I contacted the Smithsonian and requested those recorded stories that they taped with my grandfather and aunt Laura and you could hear the screen door slamming in the background where all of us kid would run in and out. We grew up with Cheyennes and Arapahos and my mother Anna was part Cheyenne and Sioux and all those languages were being spoken when I was growing up and Mexican too. Like if someone would come and they didn't understand Cheyenne, Comanche, Sioux or Arapaho they would speak Mexican. So I heard all kinds of languages," Pratt said. "Grandfather taught us how to sign talk and we messed up all those Cheyenne and Arapaho words with our gestures something terrible. We would sign talk to the people behind us at the Nazarene church and they would laugh at us. It was kind of cute."

Pratt said he had a wonderful childhood growing up and he never knew they were poor or never really thought about why he only had one pair of shoes for school.

"I had one pair of shoes for school but in the summer time we wore moccasins or we went barefoot. When we would go out on the river and ran into sticker patches my older brother would put on the moccasins and cross then throw them back for the next boy to cross. All of us would do that, Indians and white boys ... all of us," Pratt exclaimed.

The days passed for Pratt in much of the same way in El Reno until his mother decided to move to Bethany, Okla.

"I went to junior high in El Reno, then my mom moved to Bethany and I didn't like Bethany at all. My mom had a hard time controlling my little brother and me so she asked if we wanted to go to the St. Patrick's Indian Mission School in Anadarko. I said sure why not I am unhappy here, I hate the school here in Bethany so why not. So she sent us to the St. Patrick's Indian Mission with Father Gerard. There were Comanches, Kiowas, Caddos, some white kids, so it was a mixture of a whole lot of people and I learned a lot from the Comanche boys and Kiowas. I would work on local farms and I stayed there year round in the summer rather than go home," Pratt said. "I worked at the school too, I was the official car driver at the school. I would drive the nuns to Sacred Heart and Shawnee ... I even drove them to New York City one time. They trusted me and my driving so I was the official driver. Did that all the way through high school."

Pratt said Father Gerard left the school and was replaced by Father Bock, who happened to see him drawing one day.

"He questioned me a little bit about the art and what kind of tools I had, and I didn't have any tools, just a pencil and whatever else I could find and Father Bock bought me some art materials and then contacted Susie Peters. Susie Peters is the lady that discovered the Kiowa 5, all those artists in the 1930s and 1940s and she was still alive, so he called her out and she looked at my art and told Father I had some skills so he bought me some more art supplies, paint, paper and things and I started painting with the art materials that Father Bock had bought," Pratt smiled as he remembered that day, "I had always admired a lot of Indian artists, Asa Blue Eagle, Bigbows, Blackbear Boshen, and all those guys. Most of them, not all of them, but a lot of them went to St. Patrick's and their artwork was all upstairs in the attic at school and I would go up and study their art and saw their flat style of painting and I kind of started copying that style. I sold my first painting while at school. It was a crucifiction of Christ, but I made them all Indians. This was in the 1950s and I sold my first painting for a $100 dollars and man that was the first thing that fired me up, I thought 'wow a $100 bucks for just painting a picture'. I learned I could profit from doing that and I pursued that (painting) and kept it up."

Pratt said he had always had artistic skill from an early age when his grandfather would give him and his little brother clay and they would sculpt their own action figures and toys. He also said he would always remember his first and second grade teachers because they praised and encouraged his drawing.

"My first grade teacher, Mrs. Jones admired me for my art and my second grade teacher Ms. Wyatt praised my art and she would say, 'you are Charlie Pratt's little brother aren't you'. My brother, Charlie was a famous artist. I kind of followed in his footsteps and they all knew me because of him and I wanted to be like him. I never really paid much attention to my art until I sold that painting in high school," Pratt said.

When it came time to graduate Pratt said Father Bock asked him to stay on for another year to help out with the other boys and he would make sure he got through college.

"You know kids are stubborn and think they know it all, so I told him no. I said, 'no I'll go on my own'. Well I couldn't go on my own, I didn't have any money, so after I graduated I moved back to Oklahoma City with my mother ... I did go to college, but it was hard. I didn't have a car and I would hitchhike back and forth to what used to be called Central State but its called UCO today. I was really kind of disappointed and I was pretty lost. Didn't know where I was going, so I joined the Marine Corp. and went to boot camp in San Diego," Pratt said.

Pratt said boot camp was especially difficult because he had to spend an extra month due to an injury.

"While I was at the rifle range they paralyzed my left arm because my sling wasn't tight enough to suit them. It had some slack in it so they tightened it and it pinched that nerve in my bicep and paralyzed my arm so they sent me to sick bay and it took me about two weeks to recover … then they sent me back to the rifle range and I had to start all over. Man I was miserable. When they sent me to sick bay they put me in the back of a dog catcher's truck in the wire cage, threw my sea bag in and I crawled in there and it was raining. We were driving down the highway and I remember people driving by and looking at me and I thought, 'man these people think I am a prisoner or something', but they gave me my orders and when I opened up my orders and it said 'this is Pvt. Pratt and he is going to be a good Marine', that help me make it, because I was really depressed," Pratt said through the tears on his face. "I did an extra month in the Marine boot camp and it was hard, man it was hard, difficult, but I got through it and graduated as a PFC. They only made maybe 4 guys out of every platoon, so I felt pretty good about that."

After graduating boot camp Pratt received his orders and was immediately sent overseas to Okinawa and was attached to the military police.

"I kind of liked being attached to the military police, kind of the boss and it came with a little authority and I liked that. Came a time when they were looking for volunteers and I said okay I'll go, I didn't know what it was for, but I volunteered anyway and it was for the 3rd Recon Battalion and they trained us to pick up down pilots," Pratt said. "We trained and then we were sent to Viet Nam to rescue down pilots and base patrol in Da Nang and if one of our guys got shot down we would go. Most of the time I never knew where we were. It was really exciting. I went over there weighing about 178 lbs. and I came back weighing 149 lbs. in seven months. Man … then I did cold weather training. It was frigid and we lived in pup tents with snow all over us and about the second week they put us in a big tent and they gave us smudge pots for heat and we were covered in soot. It was so cold I didn't care about the soot."

Besides being military police, recon unit 03-11, Pratt

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Harvey Pratt (r) at 7 years old with brother Tony Pratt.

Harvey Pratt (r) pictured with New York Mets pitcher, Allie Reynolds and Oklahoma Supreme Court Judge, Yvonne Kauger in 1997.

Freeze, tribal accounts

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Boswell's governorship was addressed at a special Tribal Council meeting of tribal members held Saturday, May 7, 2011 in Concho, Okla. The resolution, which read, "*Finally Resolving the Purely Intra-Tribal Dispute As to Whom the Governor Is, Who the Supreme Court Justices Are, the Current Composition of the Third Legislature, and Who the Attorney General Is, and Disapproving/Disavowing/Annulling Any and All Attempts to Submit This Intra-Tribal Dispute to Any Entity Outside the Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribes' Constitutional System"* passed with a vote of 151 for, 8 against and 6 abstaining.

"We are hoping the bank will lift the freeze off of our money very soon and our attorneys are all working together and with the bank's attorney to get this matter resolved," Boswell said. "This action, spurred by Leslie Harjo has harmed a lot of our tribal members and we need to do the right thing in order to help them."

Harjo, in a statement made to the *Daily Oklahoman*, stated, "If Boswell upheld the Cheyenne and Arapaho Constitution with an honest and transparent government, there would be absolutely no reason for the bank to immediately 'administratively' freeze our accounts."

On Friday, May 4, 2012, Boswell's attorneys filed a motion in federal court asking for a temporary restraining order and preliminary injunction against First Bank and Trust Company, so that the tribes could restore essential services to their tribal members pending the district court's decision on June 8, 2012.

"From my understanding the federal judge declined to grant the restraining order, but the good thing that came out of that is a meeting between Janice's representatives, Attorney Martha King, Attorney General Charlie Morris and Assistant Attorney General Kim Richey, and Leslie's representative, Attorney Jeremy Oliver and myself," Meacham said. "This is the first time everyone has agreed to meet and attempt to negotiate and hopefully come to an agreement that will allow us to restore access to the tribes' funds and start helping the tribal members who have been affected by this. We know there are people out there who have been harmed by this action and it is our hope that both Janice and Leslie will work this out for the good of everyone."

As of the printing of this issue, Meacham stated the meeting was productive and he was encouraged by the progress everyone had made at the meeting to bring an end to the situation. Meacham also affirmed that though the bank accounts were frozen, "the accounts continue to draw interest."

Currently, the court date to hear this matter is still set for June 8, 2012 at the Custer County Courthouse in Clinton, Okla.

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was a supply clerk, went to Arizona and became a payroll clerk where he went to junior college. He said they wanted him to reenlist and told him they would send him to Officer's training school.

"I turned them down and said no I want to go to college first and I'll go do that and then I will come back and I would have, you know, but again I was young and really didn't know the reality of what life would bring. So I got out of the Marines and fortunately I had people around me that reached out their hand to pull me up instead of a hand to pull me down and my little brother had just gotten married and said, 'hey you can come stay with us and go to school', so that's what I did. That's what I did for a year. I would commute from Oklahoma City to Edmond at Central State again, hitchhike and walk two miles to borrow my mother's car to drive to school. I was so tired of being poor. One of the boys I went to school with in Anadarko saw me and said, 'hey I told Midwest City Police Department about you'. He asked me if I would be interested in coming and talking with them and maybe being a policeman," Pratt laughed as he remembered the conversation. "I told him heck yeah, I wasn't making any money and I was tired of being poor, I am dead tired of being poor. So I went and interviewed with them and they asked me to come back for a second interview and they hired me to be a patrolman. I said okay, how much money and they said $395 a month and you work 28 days straight and I said okay what the heck, so they put me in uniform."

Pratt said in those days they would put you on the street with another patrolman with more experience and you rode with him, attending classes as they came up because you still had to be certified with so many hours per year.

Thus began Pratt's long career in law enforcement.

"Back then they put you on the street first, gave you a gun, and slowly trained you and if you didn't get in trouble, then you stayed on. So I stayed with the Midwest City Police Dept. as a patrolman and I was always in trouble because I wouldn't write tickets. I hated writing tickets to poor people, to people because their muffler was bad or their taillight was out or headlight," Pratt recalled. "Now I would write a ticket to someone who was really violating the law or misbehaving on the street, I didn't mind that, but I refused to issue tickets to people who couldn't afford the ticket anyway, so they were always after me about that. An opening came up for a detective and I applied for it and they made me a detective over all those other guys."

He said they had just moved into a new building, had a new jail, a photo lab, a mug room and records room and all their systems were antiquated.

"I don't know how I realized that whatever they were doing wasn't up to date, but I started developing some records systems, jackets and mug shots and I went to OSBI and had them train me about fingerprinting and how to read them and classify them," Pratt said. "OSBI trained me about a year and I developed that whole system and I fingerprinted the ones who were coming into the jail and then I fingerprinted the policemen because none of them had been fingerprinted and when I did I found two felons, they had criminal records and they had just withheld them ... I hated that, but it was just the way it was. I was a young detective, working crime scenes and going to night school. I started going to OSU and I was learning all I can and I got a degree from OSU. I was working with a bunch of OSBI agents and I started working some undercover work and making narcotics buys … I was one of the first officers to make an undercover synthetic drug buy in Oklahoma, LSD."

Pratt said in time the OSBI director was the ex-Midwest City chief of police and he was the one who hired him originally. One day he came to Pratt and told him he was looking for minorities and asked him to apply with the OSBI.

"I thought about that and thought man I could work the entire state of Oklahoma instead of the 14 square miles I was working. I took a reduction in pay, my wife was pregnant and I lost my insurance and I thought, 'man I have totally made a mistake', but I did it anyway," Pratt laughingly said and then with a more serious tone said, "I did it for a career and went to work with the OSBI. They made me an undercover narcotics officer and I wasn't real happy about that because they told me they were not going to do that. But they did and I worked undercover about four years across the state buying narcotics. When the OSBI split and part of them became the State Narcotics Bureau they wanted me to go with the narcotics bureau but I told them I wanted to stay with the OSBI. So I stayed and I thought I was going to do regular investigations that I was trained for and then they placed me in intelligence so I went back undercover again. So I worked undercover for another six years with OSBI and criminal intelligence and traveled all over the United States. The OSBI guarded all the dignitaries back then and I guarded a lot of presidents back then."

Pratt said at that time there were issues over the American Indian Movement and the Secret Service was concerned about them and they asked the OSBI if they could have Pratt for a year to assist them.

"So I worked with the secret service advising them on cultural issues as one of their agents, but I still worked for OSBI. They offered me a position with them at Secret Service and I thought, I don't want to go to Detroit or New Jersey and at that time they wouldn't let you stay where you came from, but now they let you stay where you come from because you are familiar with the area," he said. "I enjoyed working with the Secret Service and working with criminal intelligence and I developed a criminal intelligence special projects and those programs for OSBI and at the same time I went through a lot of schools and training. There is a national organization called the RISK projects, the one in Oklahoma is called the Regional Organized Crime Information Center (ROCIC) and it covers everything in Oklahoma and Texas to Washington D.C. and south to Miami so its like 16 states and they made me the chairman of that Regional Organized Crime Information Center. We tracked all the traveling criminals that moved through those areas. I did that as a chairman for one year and served on that board for about 10 years, so I became familiar with a lot of other agencies that were involved in traveling criminals."

It was during this time that Pratt began working with a lot of unsolved homicides and unidentified bodies. He said he has always been drawing witness descriptions throughout his law enforcement career and soon that became part of his job with the OSBI.

"I got interested in the skeletal unidentified deceased bodies and bones. But I was reluctant to touch those deceased bodies, the bones ... I think it was that they culturally bothered me, so I prayed about those kinds of things and I decided I would like to do that. So I contacted Dr. Clyde Snow and he introduced me to Pat Gatlif, who introduced that technique into America, and she trained me for a couple of weeks on how to reconstruct human remains," Pratt said. "While I was training I discovered there was soft tissue people that we don't know who they are but they had been shot or stabbed or something and still had soft tissue, I would just take a pencil and draw them repairing where the wounds had been, retouching. I asked them (OSBI) to send me to school to learn how to airbrush so I could airbrush out wounds on the human body and make them look alive."

No one in law enforcement, up to this point, was using these techniques in solving crimes.

"I stumbled onto that technique and I started doing it and we got some identifications and the next thing I knew I was swamped by agencies all over the United States sending me photographs of their unidentified bodies and I had to teach them how to properly photograph these bodies and once I did that everything changed. The photographing of dead bodies changed, everything changed on how we did that prior to 1985 so everything changed on photography on unidentified dead bodies. I developed that technique that is being used all over the country now. So I am doing skull reconstructions and soft tissue reconstructions and witness drawings and one day the National Missing Children's Center came to me and said, 'Harvey we've got this kid whose been missing, you think you could make this kid look 16', so I said sure I could do that so I called a couple of people, a plastic surgeon and Dr. Snow and they told me a couple of things about how to go about it and I thought about it for awhile and thought well the way to do that was to look at his parents when they were 16. The boy was abducted when he was 6 years old and he had been gone 10 years so I needed to get the age progression from 6 to 16 years of age so I looked at his parents when they were 16 and I looked at his brothers and sisters to get an idea of how that genetic tree develops and I started aging kids like that and we started finding them," Pratt exclaimed, excitement coming from his voice. "I mean we started finding these kids. Then I started to do it with fugitives who had been on the run for five or six or 20 years. This is the way my career had been, I would look at something and just figure it out, how to develop new and different techniques and fortunately I paid attention to a lot of things and I was able to be successful in these areas of my career. A lot of these areas I never even received any training I just figured it out myself."

In 1992 Pratt was ready to retire after 25 years with the OSBI.

"I was an assistant director in the OSBI and I am getting ready to retire and I am still doing all these things. By this time my kids are all in college and private schools and I am still broke," he said laughing. "I was getting ready to retire and I couldn't afford to stay, I needed to start drawing my retirement and get another job. I had a lot of people wanting to hire me and I was looking at Exxon as director of their security at the time so I had a lot of opportunities. This one day I was at the state capitol meeting with the OSBI director and this senator and the director said, 'We are going to lose Harvey he is getting ready to retire, and the senator said who do we have to do the work Harvey does and the director said nobody and the senator said, 'what will it take to keep you here'? Wow, I just started telling them I wanted my salary increased, my car, all my leave time and everything I listed the senator just kept saying, done, done, done. So that day in 1992 when I was getting ready to quit and retire they created a position for me and all I have done from that day to now is the forensic art for the OSBI. I have done work in around 40 different states and out of the country and some work for private corporations."

Along with his work with OSBI, Pratt is active in creating eyewitness sightings of Big Foot for a company out of Silicone Valley in California. He is known world wide for his paintings and sculptures and said keeping busy keeps him active and young.

"I do a lot of other things too, when I am at home, I can't sit still, even watching TV I have to be doing something, so I am always painting and I sell a lot of my art. I do a lot of public speaking for organizations, high schools and elementary schools. I take a lot of Indian artifacts I have collected over the years and take them to the first graders and they love looking at them. Can you believe it," Pratt said shaking his head as if in wonder of all the blessings in his life. "God has really blessed me in my life. I have a wonderful wife … I have great kids. All my children are great kids and they have never given me any trouble. Every one of them are college graduates, except one. All my kids are good, Jason, Tracy, Judson and Nathan. They are respiratory therapists, computer programmers and my two youngest were police officers. Nathan was an OSBI agent for a year, but didn't like it and he quit. He could have had my job but he told me, 'sorry dad I don't like it' and I said hey do what you want to make you happy. I have had a great career, a great life. I have been an Honored One at Red Earth, I was interim director for OSBI and I am in the twilight of my career but I am still hanging around."

In his personal life, Pratt values his Indian teachings, culture and beliefs. He was named a Cheyenne Peace Chief in 1996.

"As a child growing up they named me that Indian name to be a Chief and that had always been in the back of my mind. I had applied to the Dog Soldiers Society to be one of their soldiers in the society because my whole family, in my past, were Dog Soldiers. Then the Chiefs came to me and said, 'we've been watching you and we want you to join us' and I agreed," Pratt humbly said. "It took me about a year in 1996 to go through everything and that was the same year my brother died and I kind of put everything on hold until he called me to him and told me to continue on with what I was doing, not to let him hold me back ... so that (being a Chief) was always in the back of my mind because of when I was born and the hand maidens said I was going to be a Chief. When the opportunity came, I went for it. I have grabbed the brass ring because I believe God gives us all opportunities but it is up to us to recognize those opportunities."

Pratt said he has learned many things in his life and some of those lessons he learned only made sense to him in his later years.

"When I was growing up I saw a lot of things that were not right and I watched people make a lot of mistakes, my brothers and myself made mistakes and I discovered early on its your friends that get you in trouble, not your enemies ... friends can talk you into a lot of crazy stuff and we all do that. They get you in that car and give you that drink and I recognized that fairly early and I found out that there are a lot people in this world that are jealous of you and when someone extends a hand to you, are they extending that hand to pull you up or to pull you down, you need to recognize the difference because there are a lot of people out there that when you start to succeed in life that aren't going to like it and they want you to be down here with them," Pratt said holding his hand low to the ground. "I tell my children you need to recognize the people who are going to help you because we don't do anything on our own. I used to say well I will just do that on my own, but that's not the way it is ... there is always someone there to help you along the way if you recognize it. My grandfather used to say, 'grandson its good to listen to the wise man because he's smart, but he's never been there ... you've got to listen to the fool every now and then because he's been there and he survived.' When he first told me that I thought what the hell does that mean, and I thought about it for a while and as I got older I realized a lot of these wise men that made it were the fool. They survived and succeeded. It's kind of like the school of hard knocks, the smart man, the other guy says I am too smart to do that and the fool says I am going to go do it and he may get knocked around a bit but he ends up succeeding and becoming the wise man."

Elder Care program

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for themselves.

To those that have had negative things to say and who curse your caseworkers, "you know better". To those of you that have abused the system and getting more grapes than you were entitle to, "you know better". To those of you who have gotten the cards intended to provide food to you as an elder and sold them for pennies on the dollar, "you know better". To those of you who have gotten past the Elder Care Program policies to get more than your share," you know better", to those of you who use your relationships to get some thing no one else can, "you know better". Greed is not one of our positive Cheyenne and Arapaho virtues and is not becoming to those I have seen it exhibited in.

It makes me wonder if this supplemental program has caused some of our elders to become greedy and have no shame. This is what I have seen as your director of the Cheyenne and Arapaho Elder Care Program. Some times we have to be reminded of what we have forgotten and I respectfully set these thoughts before you.

To those that are doing such things, I wonder if you ever thought that those relatives that are on the other side are watching you and would they be proud of your actions? Would they say, "I taught them better." Would they say "my son knows better, my daughter knows better?" I'm letting the picture of my relative Florence Whiteman represent all of our relatives who are on the other side.

I'm implementing a lot of new things that are going to ensure equality and going to try to stop those that use the system to their advantage. Those that are cheating will be upset with me but that is my promise to you as an elder, as the director of the program and as a Cheyenne and Arapaho tribal member. At this point in my life, I believe I am tethered to something very strong, my traditional beliefs, that allow me to walk freely and in confidence. Toksha.

Legislative News

Submitted by Legislative Clerk, Ramon Tall Bear

Bills passed at the April Regular Session

At the April 14, 2012, Regular Session, the Legislature voted to pass seven Acts. They were Lieutenant Governor Removal, Sex Offender Registration, Amend the Criminal Code, a Resolution to show support for the Concho Post Office, a Resolution to show support for the grant applications for Native American Language Preservation, a Resolution to show support for the grant applications for the Cheyenne and Arapaho Vocational Rehabilitation program, and a Resolution to approve the contract for installation of Energy Efficient Lighting in Tribal buildings.

These Acts were given to the Cheyenne and Arapaho Governor for consideration on April 17, 2012. On April 27 the Governor returned five approved Bills and Resolutions and vetoed one, one was left unsigned and according to the Constitution is deemed passed. In the Constitution Article VII-Executive Branch, Section 4(g)-Powers, states: *"The Governor shall have the power to sign any enactment passed by the Legislature into law or to veto any enactment passed by the Legislature within ten days of passage with a written explanation of any objections; and if the Governor takes no action within ten days, then the enactment shall become law in accordance with this Constitution."*

The Acts signed into law are:

A Resolution Approving a Contract to Install Energy Efficient Lighting in Tribal Buildings.

A Resolution to Approve Submission of Grant Application to ANA for Native American Language Preservation and Maintenance.

Lieutenant Governor Removal Resolution 2012

A Resolution to Show Support for Keeping the Concho Post Office.

A Resolution to Approve Submission of Grant Application to the U.S. Department of Education for the American Indian Vocational Rehabilitation.

The vetoed Act and the reasons for the veto are:

An Act Adopting the Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribes Sex Offender Registration was vetoed for several reasons, mainly that the Governor didn't take into account the Criminal Code could be changed according to the Indian Civil Rights Act, which was amended by the Tribal Law and Order Act of 2010. This amendment allowed the tribes to amend the Tribal Criminal Code, a portion of the Tribal Law and Order Code.

The Code that was not signed is the *Amend the Criminal Code* and was written as part of the Sex Offender Registration and amends those parts which were affected by the Registration. This was done in cooperation with the Attorney General's office and adds modern terminology and many sex and drug offenses. It also classifies crimes as misdemeanors or felonies because the Tribal Law and Order Act of 2010 now allows the tribes to sentence offenders to three years in prison and $15,000 fine. The Criminal Procedure Code also has minor revisions to define penalties for misdemeanors and felonies consistent with the Tribal Law and Order Act of 2010.

Bills proposed

The Bills proposed for the Regular May Session are as follows:

Amend the Election Ordinance

Department of Justice Law with Duties of Attorney General

Freedom of Information and Open Meeting Act

Approve ICDBG Grant Application

Sex Offender Registration

Tribal Member Distribution Ordinance

Confirmation of Associate Judges

In addition, amending the Constitution is still being considered. A questionnaire for this Act will be presented to tribal members soon.

The Legislature encourages all tribal members to attend Public Hearings if possible or contact the legislative clerk if they would like additional information.

An overview of the Cheyenne and Arapaho tribes' Social Services department

by LaRenda Morgan, MHR

"The miracle is not that we do this work, but that we are happy to do it" -Mother Teresa

I am writing this in hopes that it finds you well and in a good way. I wanted to give a little overview of our programs. Many tribal members are not aware of the services we offer and the eligibility requirements of our programs.

The PL 98.638 BIA Contract funds three of our programs, which are Indian Child Welfare, Social Services and Emergency Youth Shelter. Food Distribution is a USDA funded and Domestic Violence is provided by a grant.

Although we cannot provide services to all tribal members due to budget and jurisdiction and contract limitations, the goal of Social Services is to provide outstanding client services. I feel that every tribal member deserves to be treated with the utmost respect and dignity in client services. Our staff is here to assist you in your time of need with a friendly smile and caring hearts. We all truly care about our people and hope that your experience in Social Services will be a pleasant one. If it is not, please don't hesitate to inform me with a written complaint. Being a tribal member also it is very important to me that none of my staff treat anyone in an ill manner. It's my motto that we are here to serve the people and most importantly the children of our tribe.

Social Services staff consists of Executive Director, LaRenda Morgan, ICW Coordinator, Andrea Willis Rednose, Social Services Coordinator, Jay Mule, Emergency Youth Shelter Coordinator, Toni Cartwright, Domestic Violence Coordinator, Karen Hinton, Food Distribution Director, Troy LittleRaven.

Indian Child Welfare

What is some important information you should know about ICW?

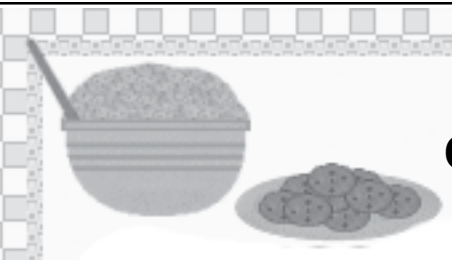
If any tribal member is visited by DHS for a child welfare check and you live on tribal trust land, please contact our Tribal Child Protective Services. If your children are removed from the home, please call Indian Child Welfare. Many times tribal members don't know when the appropriate time to call ICW is. The best time to call for assistance in your situation is when you have been contacted by DHS. Every situation is different but there is more difficulty in getting the children placed in ICW custody if they are already placed in homes with DHS. All cases are under the supervision of the Tribal Attorney General office. The Attorney General Office makes great efforts to help provide excellent service for the children of our tribe.

What can tribal members do to help ICW?

*See **Social services,** page 11*

Healthy Garden Salad
Cooking with USDA Foods

Recipes furnished by the Cheyenne & Arapaho Food Distribution Program



5 tablespoons red wine vinegar
3 tablespoons grapeseed oil
1/3 cup chopped fresh cilantro
2 limes, juiced
1 teaspoon white sugar
3/4 teaspoon salt
2 cloves garlic, minced
1 (1 pound) package frozen shelled edamame (green soybeans)
3 cups frozen corn kernels
1 pint cherry tomatoes, quartered
4 green onions, thinly sliced
1 (15 ounce) can black beans, rinsed and drained

In a large serving bowl, whisk together the red wine vinegar, grapeseed oil, cilantro, lime juice, sugar, salt and garlic. Set aside.

Bring a large pot of lightly salted water to a boil. Add the soybeans and boil for three minutes. Add corn to the boiling water and continue cooking for one more minute. Drain very well and pour into the bowl with the dressing. Gently mix in the cherry tomatoes, green onions and black beans. Cover and refrigerate for at least two hours before serving to chill and blend the flavors.

EATING well for DIABETES

By Tara Conway, MS, RD/LD, CDE
C&A Diabetes Wellness Program

May is National Stroke Awareness Month

What is a Stroke? What are the Signs and Symptoms of Stroke?

If you or someone with you has one or more of these signs, don't delay, call 9-1-1 immediately.

Sudden numbness or weakness of the face, arm or leg, especially on one side of the body.

Sudden confusion, trouble speaking or understanding.

Sudden trouble seeing in one or both eyes.

Sudden trouble walking, dizziness, loss of balance or coordination.

Sudden, severe headache with no known cause.

The chance that you will survive and recover from a stroke is higher if you get emergency treatment immediately.

How can you reduce your risk of stroke?

You can help prevent stroke by making healthy choices and managing any medical conditions you might have.

Eat a healthy diet, maintain a healthy weight, be physically active, limit alcohol use and do not smoke.

If you have high cholesterol, high blood pressure, diabetes, or heart disease, there are steps you can take to lower your risk for stroke.

Have your cholesterol checked regularly, monitor and control your blood pressure, manage your diabetes, take your medication and talk with your physician if you have any concerns

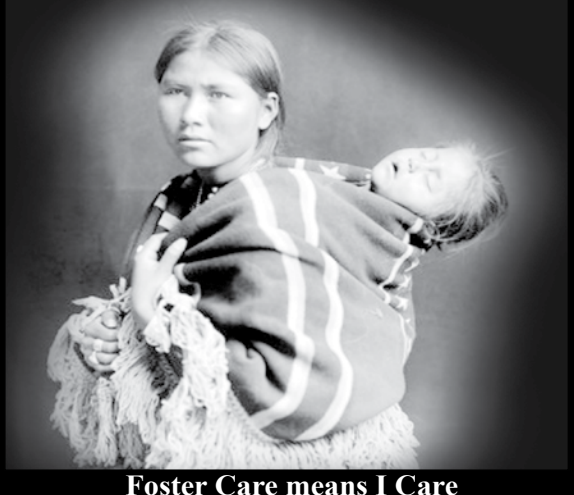
The good news is that up to 80 percent of strokes can be prevented. The best way to protect yourself and loved ones from stroke is to understand personal risk and how to manage it.

For more information visit www.StrokeAssociation.org.

NOTE: Information used by permission from the American Heart Association and from Rachel Crawford, Director of Health Equity Native American/Alaska Native Initiatives.

American Indian Vocational Rehabilitation
CHEYENNE & ARAPAHO TRIBES
Department of Education
Job Placement Development
The Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribes & Oklahoma State Deparment of Rehabilitation Services
Vocational Rehabilitation Programs
Hauli Gray
200 Wolf Robe Circle, Concho, OK 73022
Office: 405.422.7697 Cell: 405.201.2797
"Promoting and Developing Employment Placement for Individuals with Disabilities"

NEEDED: Foster Homes for our Cheyenne & Arapaho children!
You may be the one to change a child's life!
Preserve Their Future
Become a Foster Parent or Adoptive Parent TODAY!



Foster Care means I Care
What Child is Waiting on You to Care
Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribes
Foster Care Program
(405) 422-7495

BRIEFS

Basic Budgeting for Tribal Organizations

May 21-22, 2012 at the Doubletree Hotel in Albuquerque, N.M. For more information or to register visit www.falmouthinstitute.com.

The fifth annual Renewable Energy Projects in Indian Country Conference

May 21-22, 2012 at the Talking Stick Resort in Scottsdale, Ariz. For more information or to register visit www.nativenationevents.org or call (201) 857-5333.

Self-Governance: The Future of Compacting for Tribes

May 21-22, 2012 at the Courtyard by Marriott in Oklahoma City. For more information or to register visit www.falmouthinstitute.com.

The annual mid-year Tribal Enrollment Conference

May 22-24, 2012 at the Marriott Hotel in Brooklyn, N.Y. For more information or to register visit www.dciamerica.com.

Leadership Skills for Native Women

May 22-23, 2012 at the Courtyard by Marriott in Oklahoma City. For more information or to register visit www.falmouthinstitute.com.

The National Tribal Public Health Summit

May 30-June 1, 2012 at the Hard Rock Hotel and Casino in Tulsa, Okla. For more information or to register visit www.nihb.org.

The 25th annual Sovereignty Symposium

June 12-13, 2012 at the Skirvin Hotel in Oklahoma City. For more information visit www.thesovereigntysymposium.com.

The fourth annual Native American and Indigenous Studies Association Conference

June 3-6, 2012 at the Mohegan Sun Convention Center in Uncasville, Conn. For more information visit www.hunap.harvard.edu.

National American Indian Housing Council 38th annual Convention and Trade Show

June 5-7, 2012 at the Dena'ina Center in Anchorage, Alaska. To register visit www.naihc.net/index.php/events/annual-convention.

Grassroots and Groundwork Conference-Working Together to Reduce Poverty and Build Prosperity

June 6-8, 2012 at the Mystic Lake Casino Hotel in Prior Lake, Minn. For more information visit grassrootsandgroundwork.org.

The 25th annual Sovereignty Symposium

June 12-13, 2012 at the Skirvin Hilton Hotel in Oklahoma City. For more information visit www.thesovereigntysymposium.com.

The second annual Native American Human Resources Conference

June 19-20, 2012 at the Hard Rock Hotel in San Diego, Calif. To register visit www.nativenationsevents.org.

Head start graduates

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Photo by Shelene Washington

2012 Canton Head Start graduates.

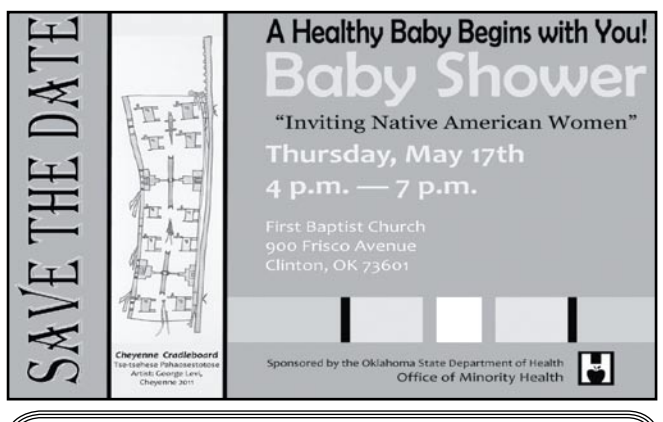
er Rachel Morales, Gov. Boswell and Dorsett.

The Cheyenne and Arapaho Head Start Program would like to thank the following local businesses, the JOM Program and local individuals for the kind donations for the Concho Head Start graduation, Wal-Mart, El Reno, Okla., Mark Gilmore, Gilmore's Pub, El Reno, Okla., the VFW Post 382, El Reno, Okla., John Petras, VFW Post 382 Manager, Bill Elkin, VFW Post 382 Commander, Kirk Henley, owner Beachler's Hometown Market, El Reno, Okla., Francine Williams, Johnson O'Malley Program, The Cheyenne and Arapaho Head Start Program would also like to thank all of the tribal departments, tribal legislators, Gov. Janice Boswell, Lucky Star Casinos Concho and Clinton, Feather Warrior Casino, Watonga and Canton, R.E.Sp.E.C.T. Program, Smoke Shop, Concho, Diabetes Wellness Program, Healthy Hearts Program, and I. H. S. El Reno, Clinton and Watonga, CHR Program, Tribal Tribune and all the tribal employees and tribal members for their support to the Head Start Programs in Concho, Clinton and Canton through out this school year. The donations, contributions, and dedication to the Head Start Program are much appreciated with them we are able to better serve our families and children.

Photo by Rebecka Lyman

2012 Concho Head Start graduates. - NOT PICTURED: Clinton Head Start

All Nations
Business Institute
REDLANDS COMMUNITY COLLEGE
SUMMER
SYMPOSIUM
JUNE 25TH - JUNE 29TH 2012
Registration Due: May 29th
WHAT IS NASNTI SUMMER SYMPOSIUM?
A FREE fun filled FIVE DAY experience for selected May 2012 high school graduates that will be enrolling at Redlands Community College in the fall semester as a Business Major.
The five days will be jam-packed with CULTURAL EXPERIENCES, SOCIAL ACTIVITIES, ACADEMIC SKILL WORKSHOPS, and introductions to administration and faculty, everything you need to succeed at Redlands Community College and beyond!
The Summer Symposium will prepare students for an EASY TRANSITION FROM HIGH SCHOOL TO COLLEGE LIFE.
The All Nations Business Institute Summer Symposium runs from JUNE 25TH-JUNE 29TH.
We look forward to seeing you at the 2012 Summer Symposium!
Call (405) 422-1482 for an application today



FREE SCIENCE CAMP
JUNE 10 - JUNE 22, 2012
50 STUDENTS WILL BE CHOSEN who are entering 6-7-8th grades in the Fall 2011.
Students selected on academic performance & teacher recommendations
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Powwows & Events Calendar

Blanchard's Chamber of Commerce May Daze Festival

From 10 a.m.-9 p.m., May 18-19, 2012 in downtown Blanchard, Okla. Free admission, live entertainment, carnival, shopping, fair food and city wide garage sales.

Kingfisher's second annual Art Festival

10 a.m.-9 p.m. May 19, 2012 in downtown Kingfisher, Okla. All day entertainment and kids' activities.

State Handgame Tournament

May 19, 2012 at the Geary Community Center in Geary, Okla. Noon meal at 12:00 p.m. Registration begins at 12:30 p.m. Team members-3 minimum, must be 16 years and older and show ID. Sponsored by the Arapaho National Handgame Team. For more information call (580) 886-2824.

The 18th annual Spring Bear powwow

May 19, 2012 at the University Field House, 333 Regis Blvd. in Denver, Colo. Fore more information call Bear Limvere at (303) 648-3414 or visit www.ravendancers.org/powwow.

The 31st annual S.W. Oklahoma Chapter Vietnam Veterans Celebration

May 25-27, 2012 at the Wickita Park in Anadarko, Okla. May 25 begins with smoke off at 2 p.m., Gourd dance, supper and Grand Entry at 7 p.m. Contestants must register by 6 p.m. For more information and vendor information contact Red Quoetone at (580) 347-2513 or Cindy Klinekole at (405) 638-1043.

Graduation Honor Dance for Marshal (Reeder) Williamson

6 p.m., May 25, 2012 at the Concho Community Center in Concho, Okla. Special contests Men's Grass, Men's Fancy, Ladies Cloth and special Clown Dance contest. Vendor booths welcomed, $20. For more information call (405) 893-2216.

Labor Day powwow Benefit Dance

May 26, 2012 at the Concho Community Center in Concho, Okla. Gourd dance begins at 2 p.m. Supper at 5 p.m. followed by Inter-Tribal dancing. Coronation for Labor Day powwow princess. Everyone is welcomed to attend. For more information contact Louella Oldbear at (405) 426-2278.

Oklahoma Indian Nation Princess Coronation Dance

Saturday, May 26, 2012 at the Darlington School gym in El Reno, Okla. Supper at 5 p.m. with Gourd dance to follow. Announcing and introducing the 2012 OIN Princess Royalty.

The 36th annual Paseo Art Festival

10 a.m.-8 p.m., May 26-28, 2012 within the Paseo District of Oklahoma City.

Miami tribe powwow

June 1-2, 2012 at the Ottawa Tribal powwow grounds in Miami, Okla. For more information contact Steve Lankford at (918) 961-1498 or visit www.miamination.com.

The tenth annual Tinker Inter-Tribal Council's Honoring Our Veterans powwow

June 2, 2012 at the Joe B. Barnes Park in Midwest City, Okla. For more information email tribalcouncil@sbcglobal.net.

Lucky Star Casino presents the New Edition

June 2, 2012 at the Lucky Star Event Center in Concho, Okla. Doors open at 7 p.m. Show at 8 p.m. For ticket purchases or more information call (405) 262-7612 or visit www.luckystarcasino.org.

The 2012 Red Earth Festival

June 8-10, 2012 at the Cox Convention Center in Oklahoma City. For more information call (405) 427-5228 or visit www.redearth.org.

The Prairie Band Potawatomi 2012 powwow

June 8-10, 2012 at 150th and M Road in Mayetta, Kansas. More than $100,000 in cash prizes. Grand entry at 7 p.m. both nights. For more information visit www.pbpgaming.com or call (888) PBP-4WIN.

Inter-Tribal Children's powwow

June 9, 2012 at the Ottawa tribe's powwow grounds, 11400 613 Road in Miami Okla. For more information call Tina Booth at (918) 542-2441 or email shawneechild@shawnee-tribe.com.

Lucky Star Casino presents Jenni Rivera

June 16, 2012 at the Lucky Star Event Center in Concho, Okla. Doors open at 7 p.m. Show at 8 p.m. For ticket purchases or more information call (405) 262-7612 or visit www.luckystarcasino.org.

The 17th annual Oklahoma Indian All-State Basketball Games

June 16, 2012 at the Oklahoma Wesleyan University campus in Bartlesville, Okla. Games will start at 6 p.m. For more information call (918) 642-3162 or email paradox@valornet.com.

Lucky Star Casino presents LL Cool J

June 23, 2012 at the Lucky Star Event Center in Concho, Okla. Doors open at 7 p.m. Show at 8 p.m. For ticket purchases or more information call (405) 262-7612 or visit www.luckystarcasino.org.

Happy Birthday

Happy 12th Birthday
Abs!!! May 17
We love you!!!!
Mom, Seth, Buvi, and
Chubbyz

Happy 9th Birthday
Annmarie Woolworth, you
are growing up to be one
beautiful young lady
and you make us
proud everyday!
Keep up the good work!
Love mom, dad, grandma,
grandpa, aunties Andrea
and Veronica, uncle Buck
and uncle Cory, Sissie and
Bubba and cousins, JayJay,
Abe and baby Ruth.
We love you!

Happy Birthday dad!!!
We love you and appreciate
everything you do for us.
Love your babies and all
your grandbabies

Happy Be-lated
14th Birthday
Darlene Goodblanket
May 5 and congratulations
on being promoted to
the 9th grade on May 24,
2012 from Clinton
Middle School.
Also, a member of the
Whirlwind Honor Roll
students with a GPA of 3.5
or better!
From mom and Billy…
We love you!!

Happy 3rd Birthday
Deezbaa Lightning Woman
Heap of Birds
May 4
Love, mom and dad

Happy Birthday
Laney Jo!!! May 16
Love, Ruby, Seth, Abbie,
Levi, and Cade

Happy 18th Birthday
Devon and William Wells
May 17. We love you very
much and proud of you.
Love your mother Tracy,
grandma and grandpa
Wells.

Happy 19th Birthday
Payton Nicole
May 25
On your birthday today, allow
me to assure you that no matter
what mistakes you make in life
or the troubles you pass through
I will always be looking over
your shoulder ready to catch
you.
A sister is a little piece
childhood that can't ever be
lost. Happy Birthday Payton,
we love, love, love you! Paige,
Becka and Arionna

Congratulations

Felicia Ruth Daukei
for graduating from Dover
High School.
We are proud of all of your
accomplishments and
we love you.
Love mom and grandma

Congratulations

Melissa Pollock!! She is
graduating from Oaks High
School on May 11 2012 and
she has been accepted to
Connor's State College in
Warner, Okla.

Happy 17th Birthday to
our grandson
Tanner Ray Brown
May 9, 2012 We love
you goofiest!
Love papa A.J. and gmah
Beverly

Happy 9th Birthday
Marcus Sankey
From his sister Marcella
and brother Silas

Congratulations

to our granddaughter
Christina on her graduation
from Calumet High School.
We are very, very proud
of you and love you very
much, grandma and
grandpa Wells.

Congratulations

Richard Rudolfo Hawk
Vendiola "Ishievah"
for graduating from Pilchuck
High School in Marysville,
WA. His parents are Randy
and Monica Vendiola,
grandparents Rudolfo and
Diane Vendiola, Dan and
Leanna Moses.
We love you and wish you
the every best life has to
offer.

Congratulations

California Baptist University
announces Skyla R. Black is
graduating with her degree
of Bachelor of Science
in Kinesiology, Class of
2012.
Congratulations Skyla, we
are all so proud of you.
Love your family
Skyla is the great, great
grand daughter of Cleaver
Warden Arapaho chief,
descendant of Black Kettle
and the granddaughter of the
late Earl Black Sr. and the
late June Black.

Congratulations

Taijah Black on a great
season. Love mom, dad,
grandma and grandpa.

Happy Mothers Day to
our beautiful daughters
Leah Davis and Jaime
Reveles Love mom Bev
and dad A.J.

Congratulations

Zachary Black on a great
season. Love mom, dad,
grandma and grandpa.

Happy Happy Birthday
Kashlei Vo!
We love you and are so proud of
you. Grandma & Papa

Happy Mothers Day
to my sisters
Jessie Botone,
Christine Morton,
Corrine Morton and
Ella Morton
Love you, your big
sister Beverly

Happy Birthday to
my granddaughter
in Canada Cissia
Yellowface May 19
Love grandma Betty

Happy Birthday
Cissia
Love auntie Jo Jo,
brother and B.J.

Happy 11th Birthday
to our beautiful
granddaughter
Arianna Nicole Lone
May 15 Love papa AJ
and gma Beverly

Happy Mothers Day
Marissa A'Loni Fletcher
Your the kit and
kaboodle, the shining
star, the end of the
rainbow and all of the
above.
We love you mom
and Pinky

Welcome Lachlan Conrad
Tempo Jennings.

It's a boy!

Lachlan was born at the
home of parents' Trever and
Megan Jennings on April
24, 2012 with the help of a
midwife.
He weighed 7 lbs. 2 oz. and
was 20" long.
Maternal grandparents are
James and Debra Endecott.
Paternal grandparents are
Steve and Judy Jennings.
Congratulations to Trever
and Megan

Happy Birthday
Jessie Botone
May12
Camron and
Samatha Morton
May 5
Mary Four Horns
May 4
Hocheney Botone
May 6
Love you, the
Morton clan

The Roman Nose
family would like to
wish Allen E.
Roman Nose a
Happy Birthday!
May 28

Happy Birthday
uncle Allen
Love little B.J.,
Mia Jo and Cissia

Congratulations

Richard Clayton Youngbull
for graduating from Geary
High School on May 13,
2012 at the Stegall-Long
Field House.
We are proud of you, love
your family

Happy Mothers Day
Roger Alan Todd
Hope you have a
awesome day because
you are my favorite
ladybug. A giant
chocolate kiss, big fat
red rose sent your way.
You are one special
lady so eat it up!
Always in my
thoughts, love you
Terri

In Memory

of Mary Little Coyote
May18, 1925 May 6, 2007
It has been five years since you left us.
There's not a day that goes by we don't think of you, the things that you would say, the things that you would do or just stare into space with a straight face.
We wish our children could have gotten to know you, we wish that they got the chance to learn from you, we wish we could have realized long ago that someday you weren't going to be here, so that we could have taken advantage of that time and learn so much more. As time goes on we can still picture your smile and your square finger nails, a cigarette dangling from your lips while doing a word search puzzle or beading while humming a hymn.
We can still see you sitting at Fonda behind the drum, singing, bouncing your foot along with the beat, hanging laundry and drinking a million cups of coffee. You was our rock, you was our heart, you was our best friend when we needed you, you was our everything. We miss you grandma. Thank you for everything you have taught us, accepting us for who we are, thank you for teaching us how to pray, and to give and get respect. Especially how to be the men and women we have become, but most of all we thank you for always watching out for all of us.
Until that day comes grandma…
We all love you and miss you so much.

Happy Birthday!
Your grandchildren, Hannah, Cato, Allen, Alisun, Cheston, Sonny, Gina, Doni, Melin, Israel, Chelsea, and Chebon

Happy Anniversary
hunny bunny,
A.J. Brown
From your loving wife
Beverly

Happy Mothers Day
Jerrie WhiteBuffalo
You are special to each
and every one of us
even if we don't tell
you sometimes. We all
have our own different
firework display when
we think of you mom.
All the bumps and
bruises we had, fighting
amongst each other
growing up. Little did
we know it was tough
for you all by yourself,
we just thought you
were mean. But now,
we all rememeber the
good times as wellas the
bad that came with it.
All together we realize
how special it is to still
have you with us. We
are blessed, thankful and
grateful. So on Mothers
Day I hope you know
that we all love you
mom. All be thinkinh of
you not only on that dasy,
but everyday as well.
Sketter told me to tell
you. Any hoo… you are
still a bad mamma jamma
in my books.
Love you mom, Terri
Jean

Happy Mothers Day
to my sisters Cheri,
Janice, Tracy, Tia
and Jodi, Fletchers,
Whitebuffalos and
Wardens.

Happy 35th Anniversary
James M. and Georgia
Fletcher Emhoolah.
They were married May
14, 1977 in Lawerence,
Kansas by Rev. Harry
Folsom. The couple has
two children Patrick II
and Stacy, they have five
grandchildren, Felicia,
Clarrissa, Chelsea, pretty
baby Annie and Jaylon.
Always keep the Lord in
your heart.

Anastacia Phillina Little, of
the Cheyenne and Arapaho
tribe and Nicholas Scott
Kelley, of the Seminole
Nation tribe, would like
to announce and welcome
the birth of their baby son,
Damian Narias Kelley, the
first born for both proud
parents. Baby boy Damian
was born at Muskogee
Regional Hospital on March
23, 2012 at 1:31 a.m. He
joined us

weighing 8.8 lbs. and at
a length of 21 ½ inches.
The proud maternal
grandparents are LaCrecia
Yellow Eyes and Scott
William of Haskell, Okla.
The paternal grandparents
are Regina Williams
Kelley and Jason Kelley
of Seminole, Okla. The
maternal great grandparents
are Thelma Yellow Eyes
and Scott Lanham of
Seminole, Okla. and great,
great grandparents are
Doris Hamilton and Walter
Hamilton of El Reno, Okla.
Beautiful baby Damian
represents the fifth living
generation of Anastacia's
family line.

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Submit tribal application, resume, diploma, transcripts, valid Oklahoma state driver's license, and CDIB to: Personnel Department P.O. Box 38 Concho, OK 73022 or e-mail: whaag @c-a-tribes.org.

Counselor
Vocational Rehabilitation Program, Watonga, OK
Closing Date: Until filled
QUALIFICATIONS:

Bachelor's degree in a social science field preferred. Two years experience in the delivery of social services and/or community based networking and referral services. One year experience preferred in community-based networking and referral services. Two years counseling experience with case management and/or vocational interest assessment experience preferred. Must possess valid Oklahoma driver's license and have reliable transportation. Cheyenne and Arapaho preference. Must pass pre-hire background investigation.

SALARY: Negotiable

Site Manager
R.E.Sp.E.C.T. Program, Clinton, OK
Closing Date: Until Filled
QUALIFICATIONS:

Must possess a high school diploma or G.E.D. certification. Associates degree preferred or two years of work experience in related field or its equivalent. Must be willing to further education. Must receive and maintain CPR/First Aid Certifications and be knowledgeable about the Cheyenne and Arapaho people, communities, traditions, culture and customs. Possess a valid Oklahoma driver's license. TERO applies (Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribal preference) and must pass a background check.

SALARY: Negotiable

Community Health Representative, CHR Program
Kingfisher, OK
Closing Date: Until filled
QUALIFICATIONS:

Cheyenne-Arapaho Tribal member Have EMT, Medical Assistant, CMA, or CNA experience Have Current CPR Certification. Valid Oklahoma State Driver's License and be insurable under Tribe's insurance. Must reside in service area. Must pass a physical and be in good physical condition. Must pass Basic CHR training and First Responder training within one (1) year. Travel required in duties Submit Program PCC and Mileage/Maintenance on a weekly basis. Maintain GSA vehicle responsibility. Must pass OSBI background check Must have minimum of High School diploma or G.E.D. Must have own reliable vehicle and residential telephone Must be able to work outside of 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. as needed. Other Duties as assigned.

SALARY: Negotiable

Open Positions
Oklahoma City Indian Clinic

Domestic Violence Prevention Program Coordinator – Full-time
Closing Date: May 5, 2012
Qualifications:

Provides professional domestic violence and mental health education, prevention, and therapy services. Conducts domestic violence screenings and assessments. Charts clinical data for diagnosis, treatment, referral, accountability and research. Must be licensed to practice in Oklahoma or under supervision. Masters Degree in Behavioral Health (Social Work, Psychology, Sociology or related behavioral health field) and computer skills required. One year of directly-related field experience preferred.

Dentist – Full-Time
Closing Date: May 31, 2012
Qualifications:

Provides comprehensive dental care to clinic patients. Educates patients and staff in proper oral health care and dental hygiene. Must be a graduate of accredited dental school or university in Dental Surgery (DDS) or Dental Medicine (DMD) approved by the American Dental Association. Prefer one year experience.

Mentor Part-time
Closing Date: May 18, 2012
Qualifications:

Provides services and one-on-one behavioral health rehabilitation to Native American youth who are displaying negative behaviors at home and school. The mentor would work in conjunction with mental health professionals, school personnel, parents and community leaders to help these youth reach their potential. This position requires spending quality time with the children weekly in the community. This position requires a Bachelors degree in Psychology, Sociology, or a related field and one year directly related experience. Experience in lieu of education will be considered.

Intake Coordinator Full-time
Closing Date: May 18, 2012
Qualifications:

Completes intake assessments, diagnosis and treatment plans and provides timely and appropriate documentation. Completes referrals and applications for patients in need of residential substance abuse treatment. Offers integrated behavioral health services in the Primary Care Clinic. Serves as Behavioral Health Administrative Assistant as needed. Must be licensed to practice in Oklahoma or license eligible (LPC, LADC, LMFT, LCSW, or LBP). Masters Degree in Behavioral Health related field and one year direct care experience required.

Please send application and/or resume, copies of professional licenses and CDIB card, when applicable to the following below.

By e-mail: hr@okcic.com, fax: (405) 948-4927 or mail: The Oklahoma City Indian Clinic, 4913 West Reno, Oklahoma City, OK 73127.

Visit www.okcic.com for application and more information. Equal Opportunity Employer; Indian Preference Law applies.

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OKC/Moore Area
3bd/2 car garage
Grey brick home
Fireplace, whirlpool bath, large back yard.
Needs some work
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$110,000
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CLOSING

Cheyenne and Arapaho tribal offices will be closed Monday May 28, 2012 in observance of Memorial Day. Office will re-open at 8 a.m. on Tuesday May 9.

Congratulations

LaRenda Morgan graduated in December 2011 from the University of Oklahoma (OU) with a Masters in Human Relations, Organizational Development and Leadership from the OU College of Arts and Sciences. She graduated with a 3.7 GPA. She also has a Bachelor of Arts Degree from OU emphasis in Social Sciences. LaRenda is currently working in Social Services for the Cheyenne andArapaho Tribes of Oklahoma. She is pictured here with fellow OU graduate Ryan Broyles who recieved his Bachelors in Human Relations in December 2011. He played football for OU and was selected in the 2012 NFL Draft as a second round draft pick wide reciever for the Detroit Lions. Congratulations and Boomer Sooner!

I would just like to say Thank You to everyone for the donations and support you have showed my daughter throughout her candidacy. She is a very outgoing little girl and really loves to go to pow-wows, hand-games, and enjoys dancing as well as singing at them. Whether she wins or loses, either way I am very proud of her. Again, I would just like to say Ah-ho!

In Memoriam

Loving memory of
Clara Old Crow
June 2, 1923
April 23, 2012

The wake service was held on April 27, 2012 at the Lockstone Funeral Home in Thomas, Okla.

The funeral serice was held on April 28, 2012 at the Community Fellowship Church in Hammon, Okla.

Joseph Osage
July 29, 1939
April 29, 2012

An all night wake service was held on May 2, 2012 at the Hammon Indian Baptist Church in Hammon, Okla.

The funeral service was held on May 3, 2012 at the Hammon Indian Baptist Church in Hammon, Okla. arrangements were by Stanley Lee Funeral Home in Clinton, Okla.

TRIBAL TRIBUNE DEADLINES

At 3 p.m. every 8th and 23rd of the month. Unless the 8th or 23rd falls on a weekend, it will be the Friday preceding.

STOP LOCATIONS FOR ALL ROUTES

Concho, OK 100 Red Moon Circle	Reding Square/OKC 922 SW 36th Street	Elk City Love's 2703 E. Hwy 66
Metro Transit/OKC 420 NW 5th Street	Save a Lot/El Reno 400 W. Sunset Drive	Walmart/El Reno, OK 2400 S. Country Club Road
Canton Lucky Star 301 NW Lake Rd.	Geary, OK Comm. Hall 121 E. Main Street	Clinton IHS N. Ind. Hosp. Rd.
Longdale, OK Jiffy Trip Hwy 58 and 1st Street	Seiling C-1 Office 411 N. Main Street	Clinton Lucky Star Dog Patch Rd./Ind. Hosp. Rd.
Watonga IHS S. Clarence Nash Blvd.	Hutch's (WFORD) 309 West Main St.	Biscuit Hill I-40/HWY 281
Clinton Transit Building N. Indian Hosp. Rd	Hammon Community Hall 801 Dunn Street	

BLUE ROUTE

START OF MORNING ROUTE	
ELK CITY (EAST LOVE'S)	700 AM
HAMMON (COMM. HALL)	720 AM
CLINTON (LUCKY STAR)	800 AM
CLINTON (TRANSIT)	810 AM
WFORD (HUTCH'S)	830 AM
BISCUIT HILL	900 AM (T)
WFORD (HUTCH'S)	930 AM
CLINTON (TRANSIT)	950 AM
ELK CITY (EAST LOVE'S)	1030AM
END OF MORNING ROUTE	
START OF AFTERNOON ROUTE	
ELK CITY (EAST LOVE'S)	115 PM
CLINTON (TRANSIT)	155 PM
WFORD (HUTCH'S)	215 PM
GEARY (COMM. HALL)	300 PM (T)
CLINTON (TRANSIT)	400 PM
HAMMON (COMM. HALL)	445 PM
ELK CITY (EAST LOVE'S)	515 PM
END OF AFTERNOON ROUTE	

RED ROUTE

START OF MORNING ROUTE	
CONCHO (COMPLEX)	900 AM
EL RENO (SAVE A LOT)	915 AM
EL RENO (WALMART)	930 AM
OKC (REDING SQUARE)	1015 AM
OKC (METRO TRANSIT)	1045 AM
EL RENO (WALMART)	1130AM
EL RENO (SAVE A LOT)	1145AM
CONCHO (COMPLEX)	1200PM
END OF MORNING ROUTE	
START OF AFTERNOON ROUTE	
CONCHO (COMPLEX)	100 PM
OKC (METRO TRANSIT)	145 PM
EL RENO (WALMART)	215 PM
GEARY (COMM. HALL)	300 M(T)
EL RENO (WALMART)	330 PM
EL RENO (IHS)	345 PM
EL RENO (SAVE A LOT)	400 PM
CONCHO (COMPLEX)	500 PM
EL RENO (SAVE A LOT)	515 PM
CONCHO (COMPLEX)	530 PM
END OF AFTERNOON ROUTE	

CHEYENNE-ARAPAHO TRIBAL TRANSIT

2012 Schedule
(Effective March 19, 2012)

Blue-Green-Red-Yellow Routes Available Monday-Friday

BLUE-GREEN-RED-YELLOW ROUTES FARE SCHEDULE

ONE WAY FROM PICK-UP TO DROP OFF
$1.50 General Public
(DISCOUNT FOR ELDERS AND TRIBAL MEMBERS)

(T) Transfer

All times listed are departure times, except END OF MORNING AND AFTERNOON ROUTE TIMES.

GREEN ROUTE

START OF MORNING ROUTE	
CANTON (LUCKY STAR)	635 AM
SEILING (C-1 OFFICE)	700 AM
CANTON (LUCKY STAR)	735 AM
WATNGA (IHS CLINIC)	820 AM
GEARY (COMM. BLDG)	840 AM
BISCUIT HILL (LOVE'S)	900 AM (T)
GEARY (COMM. BLDG)	915 AM
WATNGA (IHS CLINIC)	935 AM
CANTON (LUCKY STAR)	1005 AM
END OF MORNING ROUTE	
START OF AFTERNOON ROUTE	
CANTON (LUCKY STAR)	105 PM
SEILING (C-1 OFFICE)	135 PM
CANTON (LUCKY STAR)	205 PM
WATTONGA (IHS CLINIC)	240 PM
GEARY (COMM. BLDG)	300 PM (T)
CANTON (LUCKY STAR)	515 PM
SEILING (C-1 OFFICE)	545 PM
CANTON (LUCKY STAR)	615 PM
END OF AFTERNOON ROUTE	

YELLOW ROUTE

START OF MORNING ROUTE	
EL RENO (SAVE A LOT)	730 AM
CONCHO (COMPLEX)	815 AM
EL RENO (WALMART)	830 AM
BISCUIT HILL (LOVE'S)	900 AM (T)
EL RENO (WALMART)	930 AM
CONCHO (COMPLEX)	945 AM
EL RENO (SAVE A LOT)	1015AM
EL RENO (IHS CLINIC)	1030 AM
CONCHO (COMPLEX)	1100 AM
END OF MORNING ROUTE	
START OF AFTERNOON ROUTE	
CONCHO (COMPLEX)	100 PM
EL RENO (SAVE A LOT)	115 PM
EL RENO (IHS CLINIC)	130 PM
CONCHO (COMPLEX)	145 PM
EL RENO (SAVE A LOT)	200 PM
EL RENO (WALMART)	215 PM
EL RENO (IHS CLINIC)	230 PM
CONCHO (COMPLEX)	245 PM
END OF AFTERNOON ROUTE	

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IN THE DISTRICT COURT
CHEYENNE-ARAPAHO TRIBES OF OKLAHOMA
P.O. BOX 102
CONCHO, OKLAHOMA 73022

In The Matter Of The Guardianship Of:
C.R. DOB: 12-3-99
J.R. DOB: 10-3-02
E.R. DOB: 11-12-03
T.L. DOB: 9-29-07
Minor Children Under The Age Of 18 Years

Case No: PG-2012-0021

NOTICE BY PUBLICATION

The Cheyenne-Arapaho Tribes to: **LISA PEDRO** **ALBERTO RODRIGUEZ**

You are hereby notified that Samarrah Gallegos has filed in this Court a Petition For Guardianhsip of the persons and/or estates C.R., J.R, E.R.. and T.L. minor children, and that said Petition is hereby set for a hearing in the Courtroom of said Trial Court of the Cheyenne Arapaho Tribes, 700 Black Kettle Boulevard, Concho, Oklahoma, on the **6th** day of **JUNE**, 2012 at **10:00 A.M.**, at which time you may appear and show cause, if any you have, why said guardianship should not be granted.

Dated this 7th day of MAY, 2012.

Fran Wilson, Deputy Court Clerk
Cheyenne-Arapaho District Court

Petitioner:
Samarrah Gallegos
138 Rawlings
Clinton, Ok 73601

IN THE TRIAL COURT
CHEYENNE AND ARAPAHO TRIBES OF OKLAHOMA
P.O. BOX 102
CONCHO, OKLAHOMA 73022 CHEYENNE & ARAPAHO TRIBES OF OKLAHOMA FILED MAY 10 2012 IN THE TRIAL COURT DOCKET PAGE FILM IMAGE COURT CLERK DEPUTY

NICO P. ROSARIO AND LYNNA PEWEWARDY ROSARIO, Plaintiff
vs
TOMILYN PEAK TAMBLYN, Defendant

Case No. PG-2012-14

NOTICE BY PUBLICATION

The Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribes to: TOMILYN PEAK TAMBLYN

You are hereby notified that Nico P. Rosario and Lynna Pewewardy Rosario has filed in this Court a Petition For Custody of the person and/or estate of L. J.T., DOB: 06/28/07 a minor child, and that on the 25th day of April, 2012 the Petitioners were granted Temporary Custody pending the hearing that is to be heard in the Courtroom of said Trial Court of the Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribes, 700 Black Kettle Boulevard, Concho, Oklahoma, on the **23rd.** day of **MAY , 2012** at **10:00 A.M.**, at which time you may appear and show cause, if any you have, why said Custody should not be granted.

Dated this 10th day of May, 2012.

Rebekah Martin, Deputy Court Clerk
Cheyenne and Arapaho Trial Court

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IN THE DISTRICT COURT
CHEYENNE-ARAPAHO TRIBES OF OKLAHOMA
P.O. BOX 102
CONCHO, OKLAHOMA 73022

In The Matter Of The Application Of:
ELIJAH RAYMOND MICAH HENDERSON
DOB: 07-08-02
A Minor Child
To Change His Name

Case No: CIV-2012-54

NOTICE BY PUBLICATION

The Cheyenne-Arapaho Tribes to: UNKNOWN FATHER

TAKE NOTICE, that Josephine Borunda has filed in this Court a Petition For Name Change of a minor child, as follows, to wit: from Elijah Raymond Micah Henderson to Elijah Raymond Micah Buffalomeat, and that the same will be heard by the Cheyenne-Arapaho District Court of Concho, Oklahoma in the Courthouse located at 700 Black Kettle Boulevard, P.O. Box 102, Concho, Oklahoma, 73022, on the **23rd** day of **MAY**, 2012 at **10:00 A.M.**, and any written protest may be filed in the case, prior to the date set for the hearing.

Issued this 25th day of April, 2012.

Rebekah Martin, Deputy Court Clerk
Cheyenne-Arapaho District Court

IN THE TRIAL COURT
CHEYENNE AND ARAPAHO TRIBES
P.O. BOX 102
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HORACE JOE BIG MEDICINE, Plaintiff
vs.
MARY ANN BIG MEDICINE, Defendant

Case No: JFD-2012-20

NOTICE BY PUBLICATION

The Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribes to: MARY ANN BIG MEDICINE

You are hereby notified that Horace Joe Big Medicine has filed in this Court a Petition For Dissolution of Marriage and that said Petition is hereby set for a Hearing to be heard in the Courtroom of said Trial Court of the Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribes, 700 Black Kettle Boulevard, Concho, Oklahoma, on the 13th day of **JUNE**, 2012 at **10:00 A.M.**, at which time you may appear and show cause, if any you have, why said Divorce should not be granted.

Dated this 8th day of May, 2012.

Rebekah Martin, Deputy Court Clerk
Cheyenne and Arapaho Trial Court

MAY - 8 2012
IN THE TRIAL COURT
CHEYENNE AND ARAPAHO TRIBES
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CONCHO, OKLAHOMA 73022 CHEYENNE & ARAPAHO TRIBES OF OKLAHOMA FILED IN THE TRIAL COURT DOCKET PAGE FILM IMAGE COURT CLERK DEPUTY

NADINE N. YANEZ, Plaintiff
vs.
ROBERTO YANEZ, Defendant

Case No: JFD-2012-0019

NOTICE BY PUBLICATION

The Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribes to: ROBERTO YANEZ

You are hereby notified that NADINE N. YANEZ has filed in this Court a Petition For Dissolution of Marriage and that said Petition is hereby set for a Hearing to be heard in the Courtroom of said Trial Court of the Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribes, 700 Black Kettle Boulevard, Concho, Oklahoma, on the **13TH** day of **JUNE**, 2012 at **10:00 A.M.**, at which time you may appear and show cause, if any you have, why said Divorce should not be granted.

Dated this 8TH day of MAY, 2012.

Edwina Whiteman, Court Clerk
Cheyenne and Arapaho Trial Court

Plaintiff:
NADINE N. YANEZ
4016 S. YOUNGS
OKLAHOMA CITY, OK 73139

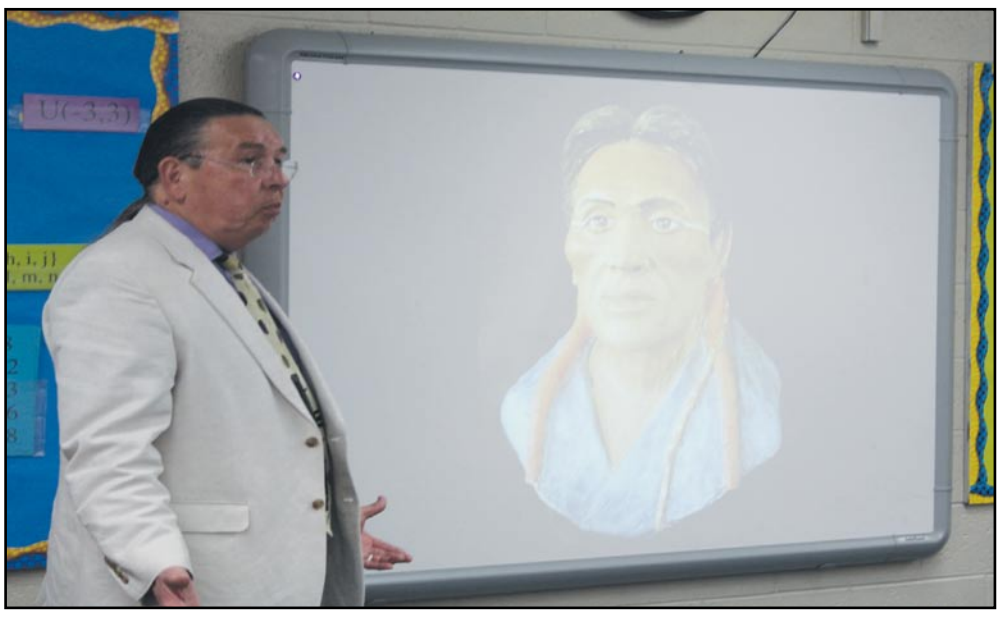

Photo by Rosemary Stephens

Harvey Pratt displays what Sandman, a Cheyenne warrior from the 1838s would have looked like during a presentation at Darlington School.

Darlington students receive a lesson in forensic facial reconstruction

By Rosemary Stephens, Editor-in-Chief

On May 3, 2012, Oklahoma State Bureau of Investigations (OSBI) forensic artist and Cheyenne Peace Chief, Harvey Pratt, demonstrates a facial reconstruction slideshow for 6th, 7th and 8th grade students at Darlington School in El Reno, Okla.

"Today I am going to introduce you to a Cheyenne man we call Sandman that lived during the year 1838," Pratt told the students. "He was found in 1972 in Woodward, Okla. and the Smithsonian Institute contacted me about assisting them with reconstructing what Sandman closely resembled back in 1838."

Pratt said that it was determined that Sandman was killed during a battle between the Cheyenne people as they fought against the Kiowa and Comanche tribes.

Pratt walked through the step-by-step procedure that takes place when reconstructing a face from a skeleton.

"We divide the face up into basically ten points using the skeleton. I first, before anything, take photos, either black and white or color depending on the subject before any work is performed," Pratt said. "One little interesting piece of information is … did you know that the length of your ears match the length of your nose?"

Pratt had the students measure their ears with their fingers and bring them around to the length of their noses. Though, most of the students appeared to be skeptical, as they measured their ears to their noses, many of them exclaimed, "hey he's right."

Pratt gives lectures and demonstrations to many schools throughout Oklahoma, as his schedule permits.

"I love coming and sharing with the kids, they absorb so much," Pratt said.

For more information about Pratt's forensic art, current projects or to schedule a lecture, visit www.harveypratt.com.

Social services

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The Cheyenne and Arapaho tribes need tribal foster parents. We have a great need to place our tribal children in homes with fellow Cheyenne and Arapaho tribal members. When our children fall victim to neglect or emotional, physical or mental abuse, they are in need to be placed in foster care until they can be reunited with family. Our Cheyenne-Arapaho children need loving, safe and stable homes with people that can nurture and care for our children in positive ways. The children don't need to live in mansions with every toy and luxury available, they need to feel safe and loved and stable. We need people who can teach them our Cheyenne Arapaho Culture and help them stay connected to our people while helping them grow in all capacities. We as fellow tribal members understand that sometimes people fall on hard times and life becomes tough. Parenting is not easy and we are not judging anyone's situation but at the same time we want to be there for his or her children. If you feel that you have room in your life to be a foster parent, whether you live inside or outside Oklahoma and you are a tribal member, please call (405) 422-7453 to request an application and find our how you can make a difference in the life of a child in need.

Social Services

The Social Services Department of the Cheyenne-Arapaho Tribes is divided into four sections with each section offering various programs intended to direct families within the community toward self-sufficiency and stability. It is our hope to provide the services needed to allow for families to be productive members both with in and out side our community.

General Assistance

Applicants must be enrolled members of a federally recognized tribe and reside in the Cheyenne-Arapaho Tribes service area. General Assistance is based on income and is temporary. It is not meant to be a permanent means of support. It was established to help individuals and their families until other resources became available. Individuals who apply will be referred to and must comply with other resources such as the Department of Human Services, Social Security, and Vocational Rehabilitation etc. The applicants will be required to work with a caseworker to establish an Indian Self-Sufficiency Plan, which will assist the client in becoming self-reliant. The service areas for this program consist of eleven counties in western Oklahoma. The application process may take up to 45 days to complete.

LIHEAP: Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program, Nick Reyes, Caseworker and April Curtis, Caseworker Assistant

This program is intended to assist with payments on utility bills. To be eligible the following criteria must apply:

Applicant must posses at least one quarter (1/4) degree or more Indian Blood. Applicant must supply all income verification for the past year. Utility bill must be for the main heating/cooling source. Services cannot be duplicated (applicant can receive assistance from the Cheyenne-Arapaho tribes if services have been received from another state/county agency and vice versa) tribal employees are low priority for assistance. This program runs from June through September for cooling and November through March for heating assistance (or until funds are depleted).

Food Voucher Program, Nick Reyes, Caseworker and April Curtis, Caseworker Assistant

This program was set up for the elderly, handicapped, unemployed and low income individuals or families, who posses one quarter (1/4) degree or more Indian Blood Quantum, to aid with food/groceries. To be eligible the following must apply: Applicants must reside in the El Reno, Oklahoma City limits. Applicants must be income eligible. Applicants cannot be receiving food stamps. Applicants must provide income verification

Individual Indian Monies (IIM) Supervised Accounts/Adult Protection, Sophia Tiger, Caseworker and Michael Kaseca, Caseworker

This program assists with Native Americans, predominately Cheyenne-Arapaho Tribal members, which have been determined unable to handle their own affairs. Each client must have restricted or trust property, which derives income from Oil/Gas Royalties and or Farm/Grazing land, leases.

The Cheyenne-Arapaho Tribes social Services Department's main purpose is to help supervise account holders in managing their affairs. We take into consideration the amount of funds involved, the client's needs, responsibilities and abilities to make constructive use of their funds.

Child Protective Services, Kim Kannady, Caseworker

Child Abuse and Neglect Policy

Who must report abuse?

Every person, private citizen, or professional who has reason to believe that a child has been abused, is mandated by law to promptly report suspected abuse. Failure to do so is a misdemeanor. The name of the reporter is kept confidential. If the Cheyenne-Arapaho Head Start employee suspects or has reason to believe that abuse or neglect has occurred and has not followed the reporting policy of the program, they will be subject to the disciplinary actions deemed necessary by the head start director and other tribal personnel. When to report?

A report should be made when there is reasonable cause to believe that a child has been abused or neglected or is endanger of being abused. A report of suspected abuse is a request for investigation. Investigations of child abuse reports are the responsibility of child protection workers and, when a crime may have been committed, law enforcement officials. If other incidents of abuse occur after the initial report has been made, another report should be made. Keep reporting until your concerns are listened to.

How is abuse reported?

A report may be made to the Cheyenne and Arapaho Social Service, Child Protection Worker at (405) 370-2102, BIA, Concho Agency at (405) 262-7481, any county office of the Department of Human Services or to the 24-hour statewide Child Abuse Hotline, (800) 522-3511. Documentation and Confidentiality information will only be shared with the appropriate agencies.

Emergency Youth Shelter-Toni Cartwright, Coordinator

The Emergency Youth Shelter (EYS) provides temporary shelter for children in tribal custody until they are placed in foster care. The EYS has house parents who provide 24 hour round the clock care for the children. The EYS is dedicated to protecting and serving the children of the Cheyenne and Arapaho tribes.

Domestic Violence Program, Karen Hinton, Coordinator

The Domestic Violence Program is located in Building One in Concho. We service tribal members who are victims of domestic violence, sexual assault, stalking and dating violence within the Tribal jurisdiction. Our program provides victim advocacy, educational classes, referral assistance, shelter placement assistance, housing and utility assistance and sexual assault assistance. Our office provides emotional support and crisis counseling and referrals. The program also provides community outreach and education to Tribal members.

Domestic Violence Facts:

Domestic Violence is not: genetically inherited, caused by illness, caused by alcohol or drugs, the result of stress or anger, due to "a bad temper", due to the behavior of the victim, children or a problem in the relationship.

Domestic Violence is a learned behavior Batterers learn from observations of other people, including family and friends

Physical abuse: This includes acts in which physical force is used to coerce the victim. This might include pushing, shoving, or being held against her will; slapped, kicked, bit, choked or punched. He may throw objects, locked her out or the house, abandon her in a dangerous place or force her into a dangerous situation. There may be threats or use of weapons and rape.

Sexual Abuse: Sexual abuse is most often thought of as rape or forced sexual actions. It can also include forced undressing or watching of sexual acts. Forced sex when in danger, sick or after a beating are also forms of sexual abuse. Sexual abuse might also include anti-woman or demeaning jokes or name-calling (frigid, whore) intended to degrade the victim. A woman might be treated as a sexual object and be made to dress in a sexual manner with which she is not comfortable. There may be jealous accusations regarding sex or the abuser may minimize his partner's feelings about sex.

Emotional/ Mental Abuse: In emotional or mental abuse the victim's feelings may be ignored and minimized while excessive attention is demanded to the abusers needs. He may ridicule the victim or women as a group with the intent to degrade her. He may also ridicule her beliefs, values, religion, class, heritage or race. As punishment there may be withholding of approval or name-calling. He may isolate her by driving away friends and /or family. She may be kept from working or be forced to work. He may demand complete control of money and refuse to share the workload. He may threaten to take the children or abuse her pets. Manipulation with lies and contradictions is abusive behavior, as are threats of violence, suicide, and homicide. (Facts from the American Indian Health Council)

Food Distribution-Troy LittleRaven, Director

The mission of the Cheyenne and Arapaho Food Distribution Program is to distribute nutritious foods from a well-balanced food package in a dignified environment while

Submitted photo

The Cheyenne and Arapaho Social Services representatives attend the 7th Generation Tobacco Conference in Midwest City, Okla.

Pictured l-r: Michael Kaseca, Nick Reyes, Lori Seitter-Lee, Jay Mule and LaRenda Moragan.

providing healthy nutrition education and food preparation to eligible Native American households residing in the tribal jurisdictional area of the Cheyenne and Arapaho tribes.

The Cheyenne and Arapaho Food Distribution Program is dedicated to distributing nutritious foods to eligible members of any federally recognized tribe living within the former reservation boundaries of the Cheyenne and Arapaho tribes, as recognized by the Tribes and the Department of Interior. This includes Blaine, Custer, Dewey, Major, Roger Mills, Washita, and parts of Woodward, Kingfisher, Canadian, Ellis and Beckham counties near the reservation boundaries. The cities of El Reno and Woodward are excluded unless the household resides outside the city limits.

Services are provided through the food distribution center and four tailgate sites. The food distribution center is set in a grocery store environment, which allows time for participants to shop for them and their families. It is located one mile South of Watonga on Highway 281. The four tailgate sites are located as follows:

Clinton I and II; at the Clinton Indian Hospital located right off West bound I-40 at the Clinton Indian Hospital exit.

Hammon; at the Hammon Community Hall located off State Highway 34, three (3) blocks South of Highway 33, turn west on Dunn Ave., and four blocks West on the North side of the road.

Seiling; at the Seiling Community Hall located on Highway 270 in Downtown Seiling

Elk City; at the Church of the Nazarene located at 816 W. 6 Street in Elk City.

Eligibility: Tribal membership card/ CDIB card for at least one household member. Identity verification is required for all household members. Acceptable verification includes but is not limited to driver's license, work or school I.D., voter registration card, birth certificate or I.D. cards for health benefits, other programs or social services. Income verification from all household members age 18 or older, wage statements for a full month (paycheck stubs, employer's statement or other). Self-employed individuals must provide the scheduled current tax forms. All household members receiving unearned income such as Social Security, disability, etc., must provide award letters or notices, copies of checks or verified printouts. A statement from two adults regarding unemployment status is required for household members who are unemployed. 4. Residency verification in the form of a complete utility bill, phone bill or rent receipt showing a name and physical address.

The household may not participate in the Food Distribution Program and Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP), formerly known as the Food Stamp program in the same month. Households cannot participate in more than one Food Distribution Program in the same month.

Households are certified based on income and resource standards set by USDA. Households have the right to submit an application the same day they contact the food distribution office. Households do not have to be interviewed before they turn in their application but must be interviewed by the certifying staff for eligibility determination before receiving food benefits. If a household disagrees with any action taken, the household or their representative is entitled to request a fair hearing. This request can be in written form or the household can make a verbal request.

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May 25 - 27

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